



# PRAYER BOOK STATUTE 1978

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## LONG TITLE

The Synod of the Diocese of North West Australia resolves as follows.

### Chapter 1 – Preliminary

## NAME

This is the *Prayer Book Statute 1978*

## DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

In this Statute –

“Australian Prayer Book” has the same meaning as it has in the Australian Prayer Book Canon 1977;

“Australian Prayer Book Canon 1977” means the Canon passed by the General Synod of this Church, identified in the schedule hereto.

“Bishop” means the Bishop of North West Australia or the person administering the Diocese during the absence of the Bishop of North West Australia or a vacancy in the office of the Bishop of the Diocese;

“Diocese” means the Diocese of North West Australia;

“Parish” includes a centre;

“Church building” means a structure as defined in the Parochial Statute 1970-1994;

“Church member” means a member as defined in the Parochial Statute 1970-1994;

“this Church” means the Anglican Church of Australia

## Chapter 2 – Scope of the Statute (Resolutions)

### **PART 1 – USE OF AN AUSTRALIAN PRAYER BOOK IN PARISHES**

1. An Australian Prayer Book may be used at services conducted in a Church building as Parish services if, and only if, the priest of the Parish and a majority of the Church members duly convened for the purpose, have approved the use of An Australian Prayer Book by the Parish.
2. For the purposes of sub-section (1), a general meeting of the Church members of a Parish shall be convened and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Parochial Statute 1961.

### **PART 2 – USE OF AN AUSTRALIAN PRAYER BOOK AT OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES**

An Australian Prayer Book may be used at services (not being referred to in Section 1) conducted in the Diocese as public services of this Church if, and only if, the Bishop of the Diocese has approved the use of An Australian Prayer Book at the services.

### **PART 3 – OTHER USES OF AN AUSTRALIAN PRAYER BOOK**

Except as provided in Sections 1 and 2, the use of An Australian Prayer Book in the Diocese is not subject to any restrictions.

## Chapter 3 – Regulations & Related Legislation

### **REGULATIONS**

The Diocesan Council may from time to time make, amend or repeal regulations (e.g. policies and procedures) not inconsistent with the provisions of this Statute providing for records arising out of or incidental to the operation of this Statute and for all or any of the purposes, whether general or to meet particular cases, which may be convenient for the administration of this Statute or which may be necessary or expedient to carry out the overriding purposes of this Statute.

## Chapter 4 – General

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **Review**

The Diocesan Council will review the operation of this Statute on or before six years after its commencement.

#### **Records management**

The Registry maintains all records relevant to administering this Statute using its recordkeeping system.

## CERTIFICATIONS

I Certify that the Statute as printed is in accordance with the Statute as reported.

P GRICE  
Chair of Committees

I Certify that this Statute was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of North West Australia on 03/08/1996.

K HARRIS  
Registrar