

Western Australia

**Constitution Acts Amendment (Voting Ability in
the Houses of Parliament) Bill 2002**

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(Introduced by Mr Trenorden MLA)

**Constitution Acts Amendment (Voting Ability in
the Houses of Parliament) Bill 2002**

A Bill for

**An Act to amend the *Constitution Acts Amendment Act 1899* and for
related purposes.**

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Constitution Acts Amendment
(Voting Ability in the Houses of Parliament) Act 2002*.

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2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

3. The Act amended

5 The amendments in this Act are to the *Constitution Acts Amendment Act 1899*.

4. Section 14 amended

Section 14 is amended by —

- 10 (a) inserting after the section designation “14.” the subsection designation “(1)”; and
- (b) inserting after subsection (1) the following subsection —

- “
- 15 (2) A Bill that expressly or impliedly provides for a change in the voting structure of the Legislative Council, including altering the voting ability of the President as specified in subsection (1), shall not be presented for assent by or in the name of the Queen unless —
- 20 (a) the second and third readings of the Bill shall have been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the members for the time being of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council respectively; and
- 25 (b) the Bill has prior to such presentation been approved by the electors in accordance with the *Referendums Act 1983*.
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5. Section 24 amended

Section 24 is amended by —

- (a) inserting after the section designation “**24.**” the subsection designation “(1)”; and
- 5 (b) inserting after subsection (1) the following subsection —
“
 - 10 (2) A Bill that expressly or impliedly provides for a change in the voting structure of the Legislative Assembly, including altering the voting ability of the Speaker as specified in subsection (1), shall not be presented for assent by or in the name of the Queen unless —
 - 15 (a) the second and third readings of the Bill shall have been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the members for the time being of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council respectively; and
 - 20 (b) the Bill has prior to such presentation been approved by the electors in accordance with the *Referendums Act 1983*.”

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