

## Australia Act 1986

## **1986 CHAPTER 2**

## 16 Interpretation.

(1) In this Act—

"appeal" includes a petition of appeal, and a complaint in the nature of an appeal;

"appeal to Her Majesty in Council" includes any appeal to Her Majesty;

"Australian court" means a court of a State or any other court of Australia or of a Territory other than the High Court of Australia;

"the Commonwealth" means the Commonwealth of Australia as established under the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act;

"the Constitution of the Commonwealth" means the Constitution of the Commonwealth set forth in section 9 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, being that Constitution as altered and in force from time to time.

"court" includes a judge, judicial officer or other person acting judicially;

"decision" includes determination, judgment, decree, order or sentence;

"Governor", in relation to a State, includes any person for the time being administering the government of the State;

"State" means a State of the Commonwealth and includes a new State;

"Territory" means a territory referred to in section 122 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

- (2) The expression "a law made by that Parliament" in section 6 above and the expression "a law made by the Parliament" in section 9 above include, in relation to the State of Western Australia, the Constitution Act 1889 of that State.
- (3) A reference in this Act to the Parliament of a State includes, in relation to the State of New South Wales, a reference to the legislature of that State as constituted from time to time in accordance with the Constitution Act, 1902, or any other Act of that State, whether or not, in relation to any particular legislative act, the consent of the Legislative Council of that State is necessary.

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Australia Act 1986, Section 16.