

Appellate Jurisdiction Act 1947

1947 CHAPTER 11

An Act to authorise the appointment of additional Lords of Appeal in Ordinary. [11th March 1947]

BE IT ENACTED by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Additional Lords of Appeal.

(1) Subject as hereinafter provided, the number of Lords of Appeal in Ordinary who may be appointed by His Majesty by virtue of the Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1876, as amended by the Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1913, and the Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1929, shall be increased from seven to nine:

Provided that, except in the event of the number of the Lords of Appeal in Ordinary being at any time less than seven, His Majesty shall not be advised to make an appointment to fill any vacancy among them unless the Lord Chancellor, with the concurrence of the Treasury, is satisfied that the state of business requires that the vacancy should be filled.

(2) Any amount by which the sums charged on the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom under the Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1876, are increased by reason of the provisions of this Act shall be charged on and paid out of that Fund.

2 Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1947.