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No. 702.

An Act relating to Affiliation.

[*Assented to, December 23rd, 1898.*]

BE it Enacted by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Parliament of South Australia, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as "The Affiliation Law Amendment Act, 1898." Short title.

2. The remedies against the father of an illegitimate child are extended to the recovery of any sum not exceeding Ten Pounds for confinement expenses. Extension of remedies.

3. "Confinement expenses" includes reasonable medical and nursing expenses attendant upon the confinement of the mother and the cost of clothing necessary for the child for two months after its birth. Confinement expenses.

4. An order for confinement expenses may be made on complaint therefor, or such order may be made therefor without any complaint in any proceedings against the father for the relief or maintenance of the child, and such order may be made separately or included in any other order against the father. Order.

5. Proceedings may be had against the father of an illegitimate child for relief or maintenance or for confinement expenses either before or after the birth of the child. Time for proceedings.

6. No

The Affiliation Law Amendment Act.—1898.

Proof.

6. No order shall be made before the birth of the child unless, in addition to the evidence necessary to establish paternity, it shall be proved by the evidence of some duly qualified medical practitioner that the alleged mother is quick with child.

Terms of order.

7. Every order made before the birth of a child shall specify a date, not later than five months thereafter, when the order shall lapse if the child shall not have been born, and in the meantime all moneys, except costs, received under the order shall be retained in the control of the Court, to be returned to the alleged father failing the birth of the child, but on such birth to be applied pursuant to the order.

Complaints.

8. All complaints under this Act shall be made by or on behalf of the mother or child or by some officer of "The State Children's Council" or of "The Destitute Board."

Proceedings.

9. Proceedings shall be had, heard, and determined, and appealed against under this Act as in the case of ordinary proceedings for maintenance; and all powers of Justices as to regulating and securing payment and ensuring the due application of maintenance shall extend to regulating and securing payment and ensuring the due application of confinement expenses, and also of maintenance before the birth of the child; and all sums paid under maintenance order prior to the birth of the child shall be a security for and applicable for the payment of all maintenance moneys falling due after such birth.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

S. J. WAY, Lieutenant-Governor.