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*Law Reform, Etc., Act. 15 GEO. VI. No. 41, 1951.*

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15 GEO. VI.  
NO. 41.  
THE LAW  
REFORM  
(ABOLITION OF  
THE RULE OF  
COMMON  
EMPLOYMENT)  
ACT OF 1951.

### An Act to Abolish the Rule of Common Employment.

[ASSENTED TO 22ND NOVEMBER, 1951.]

**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as "*The Law Reform (Abolition of the Rule of Common Employment) Act of 1951.*"

Defence of  
common  
employment  
abolished.

2. (1.) It shall not be a defence to an employer who is sued in respect of any injury or damage caused by the wrongful act, neglect, or default of a person employed by him, that that person was at the time the injury or damage was caused in common employment with the person suffering that injury or damage.

(2.) Any provision contained in a contract of service or apprenticeship, or in an agreement collateral thereto (including a contract or agreement entered into before the commencement of this Act), shall be void in so far as it would have the effect of excluding or limiting any liability of the employer in respect of personal injuries caused to the person employed or apprenticed by the wrongful act, neglect, or default of any persons in common employment with him.

Application  
to Crown.

3. This Act shall bind the Crown and instrumentalities of the Crown.