

**DIOCESAN GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE 2008  
AMENDING ORDINANCE (RETIREMENT AGE) 2021  
Ordinance No. 12 of 2021**

An Ordinance to amend the Diocesan Governance Ordinance regarding the retirement age of stipended ministers of the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton.

**PREAMBLE**

**Whereas** the provisions for the licensing of ministers in the Diocese of Grafton are detailed in Chapter 12 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008; and

**Whereas** it is appropriate to ensure clarity and consistency in the age requirements for ministers in receipt of a stipend; and

**Therefore**, the Bishop-in-Council in pursuance of powers provided in clause 48.2 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 hereby decrees and enacts as follows:

**AMENDMENTS**

1. Insert a new clause immediately following clause 118.5 as follows:

“No licence may be issued or appointment made for any clerical ministry where the clergyperson has attained the age of 70 years or will attain the age of 70 years during the licence period except where the licence period is not greater than 12 months.”

**COMMENCEMENT**

2. This Ordinance shall come into effect upon the assent of the Bishop.

**SHORT TITLE**

3. This Ordinance may be cited as the Retirement Age Amending Ordinance 2021.

**ASSENT**

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by Bishop-in-Council on the Twenty-fourth day of June, 2021 and that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.



Chair of Committees



Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.



Bishop



Date