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New South Wales

Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Amendment (Kings Cross and Railways Drug Detection) Bill 2012

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to authorise the use by police officers of dogs for general drug detection (without warrant) on the streets and other public places in the Kings Cross precinct. The Bill also adds additional train lines on which police officers may use dogs for that purpose so that all suburban train lines on which CityRail operates train services are covered.

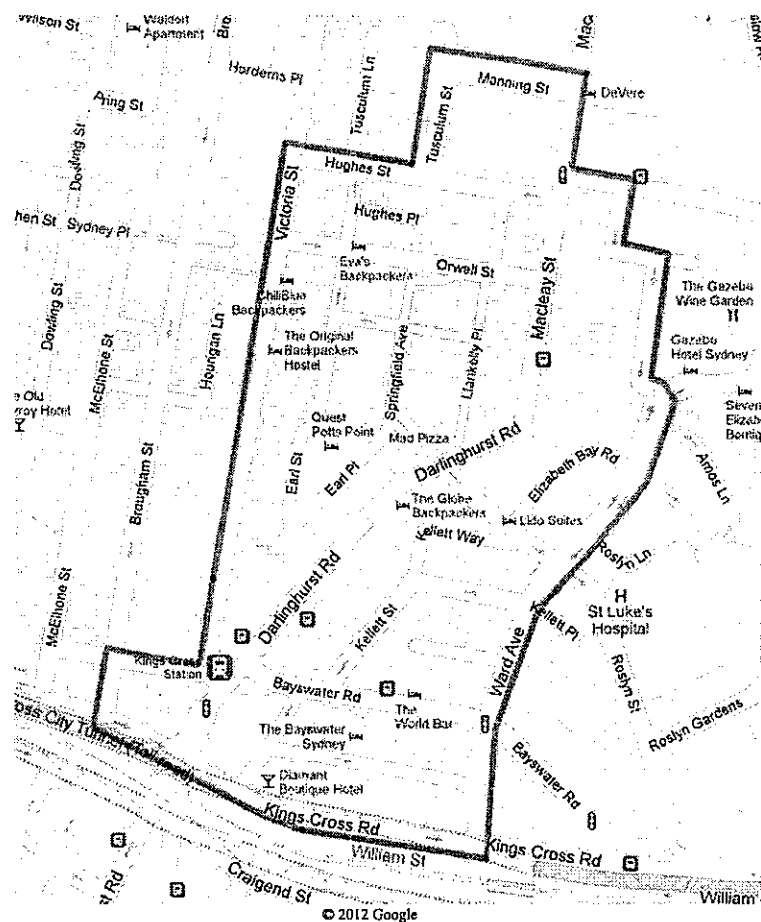
Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent to the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002 No 103

The Schedule amends section 148 of the Act to authorise the use by police officers of dogs for general drug detection (without warrant) on the streets and other public places in the Kings Cross precinct. Currently, police officers are authorised to use dogs for that purpose throughout the State in or at the entry to hotels and other licensed liquor establishments, sporting and other entertainment venues, public passenger vehicles on routes prescribed by regulation and tattoo parlours. The Kings Cross precinct is defined by reference to the precinct described in Schedule 2 to the *Liquor Act 2007*. The area is as follows:



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**Schedule 2 Amendment of Law Enforcement
(Powers and Responsibilities)
Regulation 2005**

The Schedule amends clause 38 of the Regulation which lists the railway lines on which police officers are currently authorised to use dogs for general drug detection (without warrant). The amendment adds remaining train lines so that all suburban train lines on which CityRail operates train services are covered (including intercity train services while operating on those train lines).