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Petroleum (Onshore) Amendment (NSW Gas Plan) Bill 2014

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to expunge certain pending applications for petroleum titles (being applications where the applicant is not currently the holder of a petroleum title over the area that is the subject of the application).

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 Petroleum (Onshore) Act 1991 No 84**

Schedule 1 inserts new provisions into the Act that will expunge those pending applications for a petroleum title under the Act where the applicant is not currently the holder of a petroleum title over the area that is the subject of the application.

The new provisions also provide that:

- (a) application fees payable in respect of expunged applications are to be refunded, and
- (b) no compensation is payable by or on behalf of the State in connection with the operation of the new provisions.



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No. , 2014

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Petroleum (Onshore) Act 1991* to provide for certain pending applications for petroleum titles to be expunged.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

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1 Name of Act

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This Act is the *Petroleum (Onshore) Amendment (NSW Gas Plan) Act 2014*.

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2 Commencement

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This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

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4 Refund of application fees for expunged applications	1
Any lodgment fee payable under section 12 in respect of an expunged application ceases to be payable and if already paid is to be refunded to the person by whom it was paid.	2 3 4
5 Compensation not payable	5
(1) Compensation is not payable by or on behalf of the State:	6
(a) because of the enactment or operation of this Schedule, the <i>Petroleum (Onshore) Amendment (NSW Gas Plan) Act 2014</i> or any Act that amends this Schedule, or	7 8 9
(b) because of any direct or indirect consequence of any such enactment or operation (including any conduct under the authority of any such enactment), or	10 11 12
(c) because of any conduct relating to any such enactment or operation.	13
(2) This clause extends to conduct and any other matter occurring before the commencement of this clause.	14 15
(3) In this clause:	16
compensation includes damages or any other form of compensation.	17
conduct includes any statement, or any act or omission:	18
(a) whether unconscionable, negligent, false, misleading, deceptive or otherwise, and	19 20
(b) whether constituting an offence, tort, breach of contract, breach of statute or otherwise.	21 22
statement includes a representation of any kind, whether made orally or in writing.	23 24
the State means the Crown within the meaning of the <i>Crown Proceedings Act 1988</i> or an officer, employee or agent of the Crown.	25 26