

New South Wales

Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) Bill 2014

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

It is proposed that the Parliament, being satisfied because of information that has come to light as a result of investigations and proceedings of the Independent Commission Against Corruption known as Operation Jasper and Operation Acacia, that the grant of certain exploration licences, and the decisions and processes that culminated in the grant of those licences, were tainted by serious corruption (the *tainted processes*), and recognising the exceptional nature of the circumstances, enact this Bill for the following purposes:

- (a) restoring public confidence in the allocation of the State's valuable mineral resources,
- (b) promoting integrity in public administration above all other considerations, including financial considerations, and deterring future corruption,
- (c) placing the State, as nearly as possible, in the same position as it would have been had those licences not been granted, recognising that it is not practicable in the circumstances to achieve, through financial adjustments or otherwise, an alternative outcome in relation to the licences based on what would have happened had the relevant licences been granted pursuant to processes other than the tainted processes.

To those ends, the object of this Bill is to amend the *Mining Act 1992* (the *principal Act*) as follows:

(a) to cancel the relevant licences and ensure that the tainted processes have no continuing impact and cannot affect any future processes (such as for the grant of further authorities) in respect of the relevant land,

- (b) to ensure that the State has the opportunity, if considered appropriate in the future, to allocate mining and prospecting rights in respect of the relevant land according to proper processes in the public interest,
- (c) to ensure that no person (whether or not personally implicated in any wrongdoing) may derive any further direct or indirect financial benefit from the tainted processes,
- (d) to protect the State against the potential for further loss or damage and claims for compensation, without precluding actions for personal liability against individuals, including public officials, who have been implicated in the tainted processes and have not acted honestly and in good faith.

The exploration licences that are cancelled by the proposed Act are as follows:

- (a) exploration licence number 7270 dated 15 December 2008,
- (b) exploration licence number 7405 dated 21 October 2009,
- (c) exploration licence number 7406 dated 21 October 2009.

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 Principal amendment of Mining Act 1992 No 29

The principal amendment is set out in **Schedule 1**. It inserts proposed Schedule 6A (proposed clauses 1-16) in the principal Act.

Clause 1 provides that the proposed Schedule has effect despite any other provision of the principal Act or the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the *Planning Act*).

Clause 2 defines expressions used in the proposed Schedule. In particular:

- (a) *relevant land* means the exploration area of a relevant licence or any part of the exploration area of a relevant licence, and
- (b) *relevant licence* means an exploration licence referred to in the Overview (that is, a licence this is cancelled by the proposed Act).

Clause 3 provides for the purposes and objects of the proposed Act, similar to the Overview.

Clause 4 cancels the relevant licences.

Clause 5 makes void certain applications made, and other actions taken, under the principal Act and the Planning Act in connection with the relevant licences and relevant land.

Clause 6 provides for the refund of certain fees.

Clause 7 provides that compensation is not payable by or on behalf of the State:

- (a) because of the enactment or operation of proposed Schedule 6A, the proposed Act or any Act that amends proposed Schedule 6A, or
- (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
- (c) because of any conduct relating to any such enactment or operation.

Clause 8 absolves the State, and employees of the State acting honestly and in good faith, from liability for conduct before the cancellation date in relation to a relevant licence or mining on relevant land (whether occurring before or after the grant of a relevant licence).

Clause 9 continues the obligation of a holder of a relevant licence to provide a report under section 163C of the principal Act (reports on prospecting activities).

Clause 10 makes provision for the obtaining of exploration information and records of exploration information.

Clause 11 provides for the use and disclosure of information obtained in respect of relevant licences or relevant land.

Clause 12 makes it clear that the former holder of a relevant licence is required to clear away mining plant as provided for by section 245 of the principal Act.

Clause 13 continues the operation of certain conditions of relevant licences (principally conditions relating to the rehabilitation, remediation or repair of land, disturbed areas or utilities, the giving and maintaining of security and reporting).

Clause 14 requires security deposits provided under a relevant licence to be maintained until a determination is made as to whether further rehabilitation is required and conditions of licences have been fulfilled.

Clause 15 provides for the effect of the cancellation of the relevant licences on access arrangements.

Clause 16 prevents the making of any application for consent or approval under the Planning Act to development on the relevant land for the purposes of mining or prospecting, except by a person who is the holder of an authority that is in force in relation to the relevant land.

Schedule 2 Further amendment of Mining Act 1992 No 29

Schedule 2 [1] increases the penalty for the offence of failing to prepare or lodge a report in accordance with section 163C of the principal Act.

Schedule 2 [3] makes the section 163C offence an offence that is to be dealt with summarily before the Land and Environment Court.

Schedule 2 [4] provides for savings and transitional matters.

Schedule 2 [5] inserts a definition of *former holder* of an authorisation in the principal Act. Schedule 2 [2] is a consequential amendment.



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No , 2014

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Mining Act 1992* to cancel certain exploration licences; and for other purposes.

The	Legislature of New South Wales enacts:	1
1	Name of Act	2
	This Act is the Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014.	3
2	Commencement	4
	This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act	-

Sch	edu	le 1	Principal amendment of Mining Act 1992 No 29	1
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	Par	t 1	Preliminary	5
	1	Appl	ication	6
			This Schedule has effect despite any other provision of this Act or the Planning Act.	7 8
	2	Defin	itions	9
			In this Schedule:	10
			cancellation date means the date of assent to the Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014.	11 12
			conduct includes any statement, or any act or omission:	13
			(a) whether unconscionable, negligent, false, misleading, deceptive or otherwise, and	14 15
			(b) whether constituting an offence, tort, breach of contract, breach of statute or otherwise.	16 17
			EL 7270 means the exploration licence referred to in clause 4 (1) (a).	18
			<i>EL 7405</i> means the exploration licence referred to in clause 4 (1) (b).	19
			<i>EL 7406</i> means the exploration licence referred to in clause 4 (1) (c).	20
			Planning Act means the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.	21
			<i>relevant land</i> means the exploration area of a relevant licence or any part of the exploration area of a relevant licence.	22 23
			<i>relevant licence</i> means an exploration licence referred to in clause 4 (1) (a), (b) or (c).	24 25
			statement includes a representation of any kind, whether made orally or in writing.	26 27
	3	Purp	oses and objects	28
		(1)	The Parliament, being satisfied because of information that has come to light as a result of investigations and proceedings of the Independent Commission Against Corruption known as Operation Jasper and Operation Acacia, that the grant of the relevant licences, and the decisions and processes that culminated in the grant of the relevant licences, were tainted by serious corruption (the <i>tainted processes</i>), and recognising the exceptional nature of the circumstances, enacts the <i>Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014</i> for the following purposes:	29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36
			(a) restoring public confidence in the allocation of the State's valuable mineral resources,	37 38
			(b) promoting integrity in public administration above all other considerations, including financial considerations, and deterring future corruption,	39 40 41
			(c) placing the State, as nearly as possible, in the same position as it would have been had those relevant licences not been granted, recognising that	42 43

			adjustments or otherwise, an alternative outcome in relation to the relevant licences based on what would have happened had the relevant licences been granted pursuant to processes other than the tainted processes.	1 2 3 4 5
	(2)		nose ends, the specific objects of the <i>Mining Amendment (ICAC ations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014</i> are as follows:	6 7
		(a)	to cancel the relevant licences and ensure that the tainted processes have no continuing impact and cannot affect any future processes (such as for the grant of further authorities) in respect of the relevant land,	8 9 10
		(b)	to ensure that the State has the opportunity, if considered appropriate in the future, to allocate mining and prospecting rights in respect of the relevant land according to proper processes in the public interest,	11 12 13
		(c)	to ensure that no person (whether or not personally implicated in any wrongdoing) may derive any further direct or indirect financial benefit from the tainted processes,	14 15 16
		(d)	to protect the State against the potential for further loss or damage and claims for compensation, without precluding actions for personal liability against individuals, including public officials, who have been implicated in the tainted processes and have not acted honestly and in good faith.	17 18 19 20 21
			The Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014 inserted chedule into this Act.	22 23
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(3)	In th	is clause, associated application means:	1
	(a)	any application under this Act for the grant of an authorisation, or for the renewal or transfer of an authorisation, made:	2
		(i) in connection with a relevant licence, or	4
		(ii) in respect of relevant land by any person other than an excluded person, or	5 6
	(b)	a Part 3A project or concept plan application (within the meaning of Schedule 6A to the Planning Act) made by Mount Penny Coal Pty Ltd (reference number MP 10_0234), or	7 8 9
	(c)	any application under the Planning Act for consent or approval to carry out development on relevant land for any of the following purposes made by any person other than an excluded person:	10 11 12
		(i) mining,	13
		(ii) prospecting.	14
(4)	Resc Asse	application for environmental assessment requirements made by NuCoal burces Ltd under Part 2 of Schedule 2 to the <i>Environmental Planning and ssment Regulation 2000</i> before the cancellation date (reference number 5177) is, on the cancellation date, void and of no effect.	15 16 17 18
(5)	Dire of ar	environmental assessment requirements that have been notified by the ctor-General (within the meaning of the Planning Act) as a consequence application made void by this clause are, on the cancellation date, void of no effect.	19 20 21 22
(6)	that	he cancellation date, the Mount Penny Coal Project, being the project of name that was, before the cancellation date, a transitional Part 3A project, es to be a transitional Part 3A project.	23 24 25
(7)	To a	void doubt, <i>mining</i> and <i>prospecting</i> have the meanings given by this Act.	26
(8)	In th	is clause:	27
,		ronmental assessment requirements has the meaning given by Schedule the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.	28 29
		<i>uded person</i> means a person who is the holder of an authorisation in ion to relevant land that is in force (other than a relevant licence).	30 31
		sitional Part 3A project has the same meaning as in Schedule 6A to the ning Act.	32 33
	ınd of icatioı	fees paid in connection with relevant licences and associated as	34 35
(1)	The	following fees are refundable:	36
	(a)	any application fee under section 13 (4) (c) paid for an application for a relevant licence,	37 38
	(b)	any application fee under section 33 (4) (c) for an application for an assessment lease, being an application fee paid for an application made void by this Schedule,	39 40 41
	(c)	any application fee paid under this Act for an application for a permit under section 252, being an application fee paid for an application made void by this Schedule,	42 43 44
	(d)	any fee paid in accordance with condition 56 (a) of EL 7270,	45

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		(e)	any annual rental fee or administrative levy payable under Part 14A of this Act for the privilege of being the holder of a relevant licence, being a fee that has been paid or, but for this clause, would be payable,	1 2 3
		(f)	any amount the Minister required an applicant for a relevant licence to pay under section 67, where that requirement was made in connection with an application for a relevant licence,	4 5 6
		(g)	any fee an applicant for EL 7405 or EL 7406 was required to pay to the Department in the expression of interest process for that exploration licence, being a fee described as an assessment fee or a contribution to the Department's coal development fund,	7 8 9 10
		(h)	any other fee paid or payable to a public authority that is declared by the regulations to be refundable under this clause.	11 12
	(2)	A fee	e that is refundable under this clause:	13
		(a)	ceases to be payable, and	14
		(b)	if already paid, is to be refunded to the former holder of the relevant licence in connection with which it was paid, subject to subclause (3).	15 16
	(3)		fund is to be paid from money to be appropriated by Parliament or rwise legally available for that purpose.	17 18
	(4)	In th	is clause:	19
		fee in	ncludes a charge or other amount.	20
7	Com	pensa	ntion not payable	21
	(1)	Com	pensation is not payable by or on behalf of the State:	22
		(a)	because of the enactment or operation of this Schedule, the <i>Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014</i> or any Act that amends this Schedule, or	23 24 25
		(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	26 27 28
		(c)	because of any conduct relating to any such enactment or operation.	29
	(2)	This com	clause extends to conduct and any other matter occurring before the mencement of this clause.	30 31
	(3)	cond Note	clause does not exclude or limit any personal liability of a person for luct occurring before the grant of a relevant licence. However, clause 8 absolves the State and certain employees of the State from ty for such conduct.	32 33 34 35
	(4)	In th	is clause:	36
	` _	comp	vensation includes damages or any other form of compensation.	37
			State means the Crown within the meaning of the Crown Proceedings Act or an officer, employee or agent of the Crown.	38 39
8	State	e not l	iable for certain conduct	40
	(1)	vicar canc	State is not liable, and is taken never to have been liable, whether riously or otherwise, for any conduct (<i>relevant conduct</i>) before the ellation date in relation to a relevant licence or mining on relevant land other occurring before or after the grant of a relevant licence).	41 42 43 44

	(2)	In addition, the State is not liable, and is taken never to have been liable, whether under any contract, policy or other arrangement for self-insurance or otherwise, to indemnify any person against any personal liability of the person for relevant conduct.	1 2 3 4
	(3)	To remove doubt, this clause extends to the following conduct as relevant conduct:	5 6
		(a) conduct that facilitated the grant of an authority in respect of relevant land or that facilitated mining on relevant land,	7 8
		(b) conduct relating to the provision of assistance, advice or information (including mining information) in relation to relevant land or an authority for relevant land,	9 10 11
		(c) conduct relating to the licensing process in connection with relevant land,	12 13
		(d) any conduct occurring in the course of events that culminated in the grant of a relevant licence.	14 15
	(4)	This clause extends to all types of civil liability, whether at law or in equity, and whether arising in tort or contract, or under an enactment or otherwise.	16 17
	(5)	An employee (or former employee) of the State acting honestly and in good faith in the performance or purported performance of his or her functions as an employee of the State has the same protections and immunities as the State under this clause.	18 19 20 21
	(6)	This clause does not apply in respect of any liability arising solely in respect of an authority granted before the cancellation date that is not a relevant licence.	22 23 24
	(7)	This clause applies despite the <i>Law Reform (Vicarious Liability) Act 1983</i> and the <i>Civil Liability Act 2002</i> .	25 26
	(8)	In this clause:	27
		employee of the State means a person employed under the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002.	28 29
		<i>licensing process</i> means any practice, process or procedure relating to the obtaining of or grant of an authority, including in relation to expressions of interest, tenders, applications, investigations, inquiries or consents, and whether or not provided for by this Act.	30 31 32 33
		<i>mining</i> includes prospecting.	34
		mining information includes information about:	35
		(a) the mineral bearing capacity of land, or	36
		(b) the licensing process.	37
		<i>the State</i> means the Crown in right of New South Wales and includes a statutory body representing the Crown.	38 39
Par	t 3	Information gathering, disclosure and use	40
9	Cont	inuing obligation to provide reports	41
	(1)	The obligation of the holder of a relevant licence to provide a report under section 163C continues despite the cancellation of the licence under this Schedule.	42 43 44

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A re	ference in section 163C:	1			
(a)	to an authorisation includes a reference to a relevant licence cancelled by this Schedule, or	2			
(b)	to the holder of an authorisation includes a reference to a former holder of such a relevant licence.	4 5			
ining	exploration information	6			
obtai	ining of exploration information or any record of exploration information	7 8 9			
exte	nds to authorise an inspector to require a person to furnish exploration	10 11 12			
		13 14			
In this clause, <i>exploration information</i> means information obtained from, used for the purposes of or in connection with, or comprising the results of, any test, study, survey, analysis or research conducted by or on behalf of the holder of a relevant licence in respect of relevant land or a relevant licence and includes any core or sample taken on or from relevant land under a relevant licence.					
losure	and use of information for future mining purposes	21			
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The	appropriate official is:	28			
(a)	the Director-General under this Act in the case of information obtained in connection with the administration or execution of this Act, or	29 30			
(b)	the Director-General under the Planning Act in the case of information obtained in connection with the administration or execution of the Planning Act.	31 32 33			
agree discl claus	ement, under a relevant licence or otherwise) prevents the use or losure of information by the appropriate official as authorised by this se or the use or disclosure of that information by or on behalf of a person	34 35 36 37 38			
		39 40			
Clause 58 (Confidentiality of reports) of the <i>Mining Regulation 2010</i> does not prevent the disclosure of information under this clause even if the information is contained in a report lodged with the Director-General before the					
	mencement of this clause.	43 44			
	(a) (b) aining For toobta is condextering a section of	by this Schedule, or (b) to the holder of an authorisation includes a reference to a former holder of such a relevant licence. aining exploration information For the purposes of Part 12 (Powers of entry and inspection) of this Act, the obtaining of exploration information or any record of exploration information is considered to be for purposes connected with the administration of this Act. Accordingly, section 248B (Requirement to provide information and records) extends to authorise an inspector to require a person to furnish exploration information or any record of exploration information. Any core or sample that is exploration information furnished under section 248B becomes the property of the State. In this clause, exploration information means information obtained from, used for the purposes of or in connection with, or comprising the results of, any test, study, survey, analysis or research conducted by or on behalf of the holder of a relevant licence in respect of relevant land or a relevant licence and includes any core or sample taken on or from relevant land under a relevant licence. Bosure and use of information for future mining purposes The appropriate official may use or disclose any information obtained in connection with the administration or execution of this Act or the Planning Act in respect of a relevant licence or relevant land if the use or disclosure is in connection with any application or tender (or proposed application or tender) under this Act or any application under the Planning Act (whether or not in respect of relevant land) or is for any other purpose approved by the Minister. The appropriate official is: (a) the Director-General under this Act in the case of information obtained in connection with the administration or execution of this Act, or (b) the Director-General under the Planning Act in the case of information obtained in connection with the administration or execution of the Planning Act. No intellectual property right or duty of confidentiality (whether ar			

	(7)	In this clause: disclose includes publish or communicate. use includes reproduce.	1 2 3
Par	t 4	Miscellaneous	4
12	Clea	ring away of mining plant To avoid doubt, a reference in section 245 to the holder of an authority	5 6
13	Cont	includes a reference to a former holder of relevant licence. tinuation of certain conditions of relevant licences	7
13	(1)	The preserved conditions of a relevant licence continue to have effect despite the cancellation of the licence by this Schedule. Accordingly, any obligation imposed on the holder of a relevant licence under the preserved conditions continues to have effect.	9 10 11 12
	(2)	The <i>preserved conditions</i> are conditions 16 (f)–(h), 18 (c), 19 (d), 20 (g), 23 (b) (vii), 27, 28, 29, 32 and 44 of each relevant licence, and condition 54 of EL 7270, as in force immediately before the cancellation date.	13 14 15
	(3)	A reference in section 240 or 378D to a condition of an authorisation includes a reference to a preserved condition of a relevant licence.	16 17
	(4)	A reference in section 378D:	18
		(a) to an authorisation includes a reference to a relevant licence cancelled by this Schedule, or	19 20
		(b) to the holder of an authorisation includes a reference to a former holder of such a relevant licence.	21 22
14	Secu	urity requirements	23
	(1)	The requirement to give and maintain security under condition 29 of a relevant licence lapses when the Minister determines that the requirements of any directions under section 240 or obligations under the relevant licence (non-compliance with which would authorise a claim on or realisation of the deposit) have been fulfilled to a satisfactory extent and in a satisfactory manner.	24 25 26 27 28 29
	(2)	The Minister is not required to make a determination under subclause (1) until the Minister is satisfied that no directions or further directions under section 240 are required.	30 31 32
	(3)	The Minister must, if practicable, give written notice of a determination under subclause (1) to the former holder of the relevant licence.	33 34
	(4)	For the purposes of section 378D, and sections 378H and 378I and Schedule 7 to this Act (as they apply to contraventions of section 378D), condition 29 of a relevant licence is taken to be a condition of a kind referred to in Part 1 of Schedule 7 to this Act.	35 36 37 38
	(5)	Subclause (4) applies only to a contravention of section 378D that occurs on or after the cancellation date.	39 40
15	Acce	ess arrangements	41
	(1)	The cancellation of a relevant licence by this Schedule does not affect any liabilities of a holder or former holder of the relevant licence under an access arrangement.	42 43 44

	(2)	The cancellation of a relevant licence by this Schedule operates, for the purposes of any access arrangement relating to the relevant licence:	1 2		
		(a) as an occasion of the holder of the relevant licence ceasing to hold an authority over the exploration area, and	3 4		
		(b) as a cancellation of the relevant licence for the purpose of any provision of the access arrangement that deals with the cancellation of an authority (including any provision that refers to cancellation under Division 3 of Part 7 of this Act).	5 6 7 8		
	(3)	The regulations may make provision for the termination of any access arrangements relating to a relevant licence.	9 10		
16	Further Planning Act applications prohibited				
	(1)	An application under the Planning Act for consent or approval to carry out development on relevant land for any of the following purposes cannot be made except by a person who is the holder of an authority that is in force in relation to that land:	12 13 14 15		
		(a) mining,	16		
		(b) prospecting.	17		
	(2)	To avoid doubt, <i>mining</i> and <i>prospecting</i> have the meanings given by this Act.	18		

Scł	nedule 2	F	Further amendment of Mining Act 1992 No 29	1			
[1]	Section 16	3C Re	eports	2			
	Omit sectio	Omit section 163C (3). Insert instead:					
	(3)	acco	erson who fails, without reasonable excuse, to prepare or lodge a report in ordance with this section or the regulations is guilty of an offence.	4 5 6			
		(a)	in the case of a corporation—10,000 penalty units, and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty of 1,000 penalty units for each day that the offence continues, or	7 8 9			
		(b)	in the case of a natural person—2,000 penalty units, and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty of 200 penalty units for each day that the offence continues.	10 11 12			
[2]	Section 24	4 Defi	initions	13			
	Omit the de	efinitio	on of <i>former holder</i> .	14			
[3]	Section 37	8H Pr	oceedings for offences	15			
	Omit "Part	2 or"	from section 378H (1) (a).	16			
	Insert instead "Part 2, section 163C,".						
[4]	Schedule 6 Savings, transitional and other provisions						
	Insert at the end of the Schedule with appropriate Part and clause numbering:						
	Part	Am	ovisions consequent on enactment of Mining nendment (ICAC Operations Jasper and Acacia) t 2014	20 21 22			
	Incre	eased	penalty for failure to report	23			
	(1)	Oper the c	amendment of section 163C (Reports) by the <i>Mining Amendment (ICAC rations Jasper and Acacia) Act 2014</i> extends to a failure occurring after commencement of the amendment to prepare or lodge a report in respect latters occurring before that commencement.	24 25 26 27			
	(2)	Jasp	amendment of section 378H by the <i>Mining Amendment (ICAC Operations per and Acacia) Act 2014</i> does not apply to an offence under section C (3) as in force before its substitution by that Act.	28 29 30			
[5]	Dictionary			31			
	Insert in alp			32			
		(incl	ner holder, in relation to an authorisation that has ceased to apply to land luding because it has been cancelled, expired or has otherwise ceased to effect), means the person who was the holder of the authorisation rediately before it ceased to apply to the land.	33 34 35 36			