



New South Wales

Road Transport Amendment (Medicinal Cannabis—Exemptions from Offences) Bill 2025

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to exclude users of medicinal cannabis from the application of the offences relating to driving while a prescribed illicit drug is present in a person's oral fluid, blood or urine.

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 Road Transport Act 2013 No 18

Schedule 1[1] amends the *Road Transport Act 2013* to provide that the offences relating to driving while a prescribed illicit drug is present in a person's oral fluid, blood or urine do not apply if the only drug present is delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol, also known as THC, that the person had obtained and administered for medicinal purposes.

Schedule 1[2] provides for a review of the proposed provision 3 years after it commences.

Schedule 1[3] inserts a transitional provision to make it clear that the proposed provision applies to the presence of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol in a person's oral fluid, blood or urine before the commencement of the proposed provision.