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# **Thoroughbred Racing Amendment Bill 2023**

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This public bill which originated in the Legislative Assembly, has passed and is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Legislative Assembly, Sydney, , 2023

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Act No , 2023

An Act to amend the *Thoroughbred Racing Act 1996* in relation to the term of office of the Chairperson of Racing NSW; and to provide for statutory reviews of that Act.

EXAMINED

Speaker

The	Legislature of New South Wales enacts—	1
1	Name of Act	2
	This Act is the Thoroughbred Racing Amendment Act 2023.	3
2	Commencement	4
	This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.	5

## Schedule 1 Amendment of Thoroughbred Racing Act 1996 No 37

#### [1] Section 7 Selection Panel

Insert after section 7(1)—

- (1A) A Selection Panel must be established by the day (the *relevant day*) that is 6 months before an appointed member's term of office will be completed if—
  - (a) the vacancy referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b) will arise because the appointed member will complete the member's term of office, and

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(b) the appointed member has not been reappointed before the relevant day.
 Note— Under section 6(4), a person is not eligible to hold office as an appointed member for more than 12 years in total, whether or not involving consecutive terms.

#### [2] Section 7(2A)

Insert after section 7(2)—

(2A) In preparing a list of persons recommended for appointment as members of Racing NSW or for appointment as the Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson of Racing NSW, the Selection Panel must have regard to diversity in the membership, including gender diversity.

#### [3] Schedule 1 Savings and transitional provisions

Insert after clause 46-

### Part 12 Provision consequent on enactment of Thoroughbred Racing Amendment Act 2023

#### 47 Extension of appointment of Chairperson of Racing NSW

- (1) This clause applies to the person who, immediately before the commencement of this clause, was Chairperson of Racing NSW.
- (2) Despite sections 6(4) and 16(4), the person's terms of appointment to the following offices are extended by 24 months after the date on which the appointments would, but for this clause, otherwise end—
  - (a) an appointed member of Racing NSW,
  - (b) the Chairperson of Racing NSW.
- (3) This clause does not affect—
  - (a) the operation of section 15(1) in relation to the vacation of office by an appointed member of Racing NSW, or
  - (b) the power of the Minister to remove the person from office as an appointed member under section 15(2)–(4), or
  - (c) the power of the Minister to remove the person from office as the Chairperson of Racing NSW under section 16(5).

# Review of Act 38 (1) The Minister must review this Act to determine whether— 39 (a) the policy objectives of, and oversight mechanisms provided by, the Act remain valid, and 40 (b) the terms of the Act remain appropriate for securing the objectives. 42

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(2)		conducting the review, the Minister must consult with relevant scholders.	1 2
(3)	A rev	view under this clause must be undertaken—	3
	(a)	as soon as possible after the commencement of this clause, and	4
	(b)	at intervals of 5 years after the first review.	5
(4) A report on the outcome of each review must be tabled in each House of Parliament—			6 7
	(a)	for the first review—within 12 months after the commencement of this clause, and	8 9
	(b)	for each subsequent review—within 5 years after the last report was tabled.	10 11