

New South Wales

## **Identity Protection and Recovery Bill 2025**

### **Explanatory note**

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

#### Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are—

- (a) to enable the Secretary to exercise functions to support individuals and organisations in protecting, recovering and remediating personal information in relation to a compromise of personal information, and
- (b) to provide exemptions to privacy and other laws required for the exercise of the functions.

## Outline of provisions

### Part 1 Preliminary

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.

Clause 3 outlines the objects of the proposed Act.

Clause 4 empowers proposed Schedule 4 to define certain words and expressions used in the proposed Act.

Clause 5 defines *compromised* in relation to personal information for the proposed Act.

Clause 6 defines *identity document* for the proposed Act.

Clause 7 defines *personal data compromise* for the proposed Act.

Clause 8 provides that the proposed Act binds the Crown.

#### Part 2 Identity protection and recovery functions

Clause 9 enables the Secretary to exercise functions relating to the protection and recovery of personal identity information, defined as the *identity protection functions*.

Clause 10 specifies the Secretary's functions relating to the protection and recovery of personal information, defined as the *identity protection and recovery functions*, in relation to the compromise of personal information.

Clause 11 specifies the Secretary's functions relating to the control and management of risk in relation to the fraudulent use of personal information, defined as the *identity fraud control functions*.

Clause 12 specifies the circumstances in which the Secretary is permitted to exercise the identity protection functions.

Clause 13 enables the Secretary to exercise identity protection functions for the purpose of coordinating with officers and authorities within Australia that have similar functions in relation to the compromise of personal data. The clause also specifies the Secretary must act consistently with guidance and advice given by certain officers and authorities in relation to prescribed notifiable data breaches required to be notified by law.

Clause 14 enables the Secretary to enter into contracts and other agreements in connection with the exercise of an identity protection function and permits regulations to be made about the content and form of the contracts or agreements.

Clause 15 enables the Secretary to exercise identity protection functions for people located or residing in other jurisdictions and for a department or agency of the Commonwealth or another State or Territory.

Clause 16 enables the Secretary to impose fees in the circumstances specified and permits regulations to be made about fees.

Clause 17 enables the Secretary to delegate the exercise of the Secretary's functions.

## Part 3 Identity fraud control

Clause 18 requires the Secretary to keep a register for compromised identity documents, defined as the *compromised ID register*, in a way prescribed by the regulations.

Clause 19 specifies the information, including identity documents, that the Secretary may record on the compromised ID register.

Clause 20 requires the Secretary to remove records from the compromised ID register about an individual if requested by the individual in the circumstances specified and permits an issuer of an identity document or a member of the NSW Police Force to request records to be removed from the compromised ID register in the circumstances specified.

Clause 21 permits the Secretary to only disclose information on the compromised ID register in the circumstances specified.

Clause 22 specifies when the Secretary must disclose to an individual that the individual's identity document has been recorded on the compromised ID register and permits the Secretary to disclose the information to the individual at any time.

Clause 23 specifies when the Secretary must disclose to an issuer of an identity document that the identity document has been recorded on the compromised ID register and, in relation to the disclosure, permits the Secretary to disclose information and make recommendations to the issuer.

Clause 24 defines *relevant purpose* for the proposed part, Division 3.

Clause 25 provides for the circumstances in which a person may apply to and be approved by the Secretary for eligibility to request the disclosure of certain information about whether an identity

document is on the compromised ID register or about the life status of an individual. A person approved under this clause is a fraud check user.

Clause 26 provides for the circumstances in which a fraud check user may apply to the Secretary for a disclosure of information about whether an identity document is recorded on the compromised ID register. The clause also specifies the circumstances in which the Secretary must not disclose information to a fraud check user and permits regulations to be made to determine the kind of information that must be disclosed.

Clause 27 limits the purposes for which the Secretary may determine or use information about whether an individual is alive or dead. A purpose permitted by the proposed section is defined as a *relevant purpose*.

Clause 28 specifies the circumstances in which a fraud check user can apply to the Secretary for a disclosure about whether an individual is alive or dead. The clause specifies the circumstances in which the Secretary is permitted to make the disclosure and permits regulations to determine the kind of information to be disclosed.

#### Part 4 Exemptions from privacy and other laws

Clause 29 defines public sector agency for the proposed part.

Clause 30 provides that proposed Part 4, Division 2, which deals with the collection, holding, use and disclosure of personal information, applies despite any Act or law, including the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* and the *Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002* 

Clause 31 permits the Secretary, partner authorities, public sector agencies and other persons to collect, hold, use and disclose information for the identity protection functions of the Secretary in the circumstances specified.

Clause 32 provides that proposed Part 4, Division 2 does not apply to a person if the person engages in unlawful conduct, or breaches a specified provision of an agreement to which the Secretary is party, when collecting, holding, using or disclosing personal information for the exercise of an identity protection function.

Clause 33 provides an exclusion from liability for prohibited disclosures of information when the disclosure is for the exercise of an identity protection function between specified parties. The exclusion of liability does not apply if the liability arises in relation to the person contravening a provision of the proposed Act or breaching a contract or agreement relating to the exercise of an identity protection function to which the Secretary is a party.

### Part 5 Identity Protection and Recovery Fund

**Clause 34** establishes a fund in the Special Deposits Account called the Identity Protection and Recovery Fund (the *Fund*).

Clause 35 provides what money must be paid into the Fund.

Clause 36 provides what money may be paid out of the Fund.

#### Part 6 Miscellaneous

Clause 37 excludes certain persons from liability for anything done in good faith for the purpose of exercising a function under the proposed Act.

Clause 38 enables the Governor to make regulations in relation to the proposed Act. However, the Minister must consult with the Privacy Commissioner before recommending the making of regulations to the Governor for regulations made under specified provisions of the proposed Act.

## Schedule 1 Identity documents

Schedule 1 lists documents that are identity documents.

#### Schedule 2 Savings, transitional and other provisions

**Schedule 2** contains savings, transitional and other provisions consequent on the enactment of the proposed Act.

# Schedule 3 Amendment of Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 No 52

**Schedule 3** inserts a clause into the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*, Schedule 1. The proposed clause specifies there is a conclusive presumption overriding the public interest against disclosure of information contained in a document prepared for advising on or the assessment of a personal data compromise under the proposed Act if the information could worsen a person's cyber security or lead to further personal data compromises.

#### Schedule 4 Dictionary

Schedule 4 sets out the defined terms of the proposed Act.



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This PUBLIC BILL, originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Legislative Assembly



New South Wales

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No , 2025

#### A Bill for

An Act to enable the Secretary to exercise functions to support individuals and organisations in protecting, recovering and remediating personal information in relation to the compromise of personal information; to provide the necessary exemptions from privacy and other laws; and for related purposes.

The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with/without amendment.

Clerk of the Parliaments

The I	Legisl	ature	of New South Wales enacts—	1
Part	t 1	Pre	eliminary	2
1	Nam	e of A	Act	3
		This	s Act is the <i>Identity Protection and Recovery Act 2025</i> .	4
2	Com	menc	cement	5
_			s Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.	6
2	Ohio			
3	Obje	cts of		7
			objects of this Act are as follows—	8
		(a)	to enable the Secretary to—	9
			(i) carry out and facilitate the protection and recovery of personal information of individuals from personal data compromises, and	10 11
			(ii) facilitate the remediation of compromised personal information of individuals, and	12 13
			(iii) carry out and facilitate the protection of organisations from personal data compromises, and	14 15
			(iv) adopt and recommend best practice standards in the protection and recovery of personal information,	16 17
		(b)	to permit the collection, holding, use and disclosure of information for the purpose of protecting organisations and the personal information of individuals from personal data compromises.	18 19 20
4	Defi	nitions	S	21
		The	dictionary in Schedule 4 defines words used in this Act.	22
		Note	The Interpretation Act 1987 contains definitions and other provisions that affect the pretation and application of this Act.	23 24
5	Mea	ning o	of "compromised" personal information	25
			his Act, <i>compromised</i> , in relation to personal information, means personal rmation known or suspected to have been—	26 27
		(a)	used, accessed, disclosed or lost unlawfully or without authorisation, or	28
		(b)	lost or disclosed unintentionally.	29
6	Mea	ning o	of "identity document"	30
	(1)	In th	nis Act, <i>identity document</i> means the following—	31
	( )	(a)	a document specified in Schedule 1,	32
		( )	Examples—	33
			driver licence	34
			birth certificate	35
			medicare card	36
		(b)	a DVS document within the meaning of the <i>Identity Verification Services Act</i> 2023 of the Commonwealth that is not otherwise specified in Schedule 1,	37 38
		(c)	another document that is—	39
		. /	(i) issued by a government to an individual containing personal information relating to the individual, and	40 41
			(ii) prescribed by the regulations.	42

	(2)		Ference in this Act to an identity document includes information in relation to an idual—	1
		(a)	contained in an identity document related to the individual, or	3
		(b)	associated, or reasonably expected to be associated, with an identity document related to the individual.	4
7	Mea	ning o	f "personal data compromise"	6
		In th	is Act, a <i>personal data compromise</i> means a known or suspected—	7
		(a)	unauthorised or unlawful use, access, disclosure or loss of personal information, or	9
		(b)	unintentional disclosure or loss of personal information.	10
8	Act t	o bind	l Crown	11
		legis	Act binds the Crown in right of New South Wales and, to the extent the lative power of the Parliament of New South Wales permits, the Crown in all its capacities.	12 13 14

ı aı	t 2	iaei	ntity protection and recovery functions	•
9	Fund	ctions	of Secretary	2
	(1)	The S (a) (b) (c)	Secretary has the following functions ( <i>identity protection functions</i> )— identity protection and recovery functions, identity fraud control functions, another function specified to be an identity protection function by this Act or another Act.	3 2 5 7
	(2)	The S (a) (b)	Secretary must not exercise an identity protection function unless— in accordance with this Act, and consistent with the objects of this Act.	8 9 10
10	Iden	tity pro	otection and recovery functions	11
		The <i>i</i> (a) (b) (c) (d)	to advise on and recovery functions are as follows—  (i) to detect, prevent and mitigate the likelihood of personal data compromises, and  (ii) to mitigate the risk of harm to individuals and impacted individuals in relation to personal data compromises,  to increase resilience and protection of persons from personal data compromises, including by advising on the appropriate kind and use of information technology,  in response to a personal data compromise—  (i) to advise on and recommend actions to take, including to replace or reissue identity documents and other actions to protect and recover personal information, and  (ii) to advise on and assess the risk of harm to impacted individuals, and  (iii) to notify and disclose information to impacted individuals and other persons, including to assist persons in notifying impacted individuals, other functions prescribed by the regulations.	12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28
11	Iden	tity fra	aud control functions	29
			to advise on and recommend actions for the detection, prevention and mitigation of the likelihood of identity fraud, to establish and keep the compromised ID register, to disclose information on the compromised ID register to certain persons, to determine and disclose information about the life status of individuals to certain persons, other functions prescribed by the regulations.	30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37
12	Exer	cise of	f functions	38
			Secretary must not exercise an identity protection function unless the exercise of function is—  at the request of the following—  (i) a person who the Secretary is satisfied is, or may be, affected by a personal data compromise,	39 40 41 42 43

			(ii) a law enforcement agency,	1
			(iii) a fraud check user, or	2
		(b)	in response to the following—	3
			(i) a personal data compromise for which the source of the personal data cannot reasonably be determined,	5
			(ii) compromised personal data made available on the internet, whether on the clear or dark web, or	7
		(c)	to establish, keep and disclose information on and in relation to the compromised ID register, or	9
		(d)	to determine and disclose information about the life status of an individual, or	10
		(e)	to advise on and recommend actions for the detection, prevention and mitigation of the likelihood of personal data compromises, or	11 12
		(f)	in other circumstances prescribed by the regulations.	13
13	Cool	rdinati	tion with privacy and other similar authorities	14
	(1)	follo	Secretary may exercise an identity protection function to coordinate with the owing authorities ( <i>partner authorities</i> ) in response to a personal data apromise—	15 16 17
		(a)	the Privacy Commissioner,	18
		(b)	an authority with functions to protect the privacy of individuals under an Act or law of another jurisdiction within Australia,	19 20
		(c)	an authority of another jurisdiction within Australia with functions that are the same as or similar to the identity protection functions,	21 22
		(d)	an authority of the Commonwealth, prescribed by the regulations, with functions under an Act of the Commonwealth to manage cyber security incidents.	23 24 25
	(2)	with	Secretary, in exercising an identity protection function, must act consistently a guidance and advice given by the following in relation to a notifiable data uch—	26 27 28
		(a)	the Privacy Commissioner,	29
		(b)	an authority, prescribed by the regulations, with functions under an Act of the Commonwealth to protect the privacy of individuals.	30 31
	(3)		Secretary must not act for or on behalf of a person for the purpose of discharging person's duties in relation to a notifiable data breach.	32 33
	(4)	In th	nis section—	34
			<b>fiable data breach</b> means a breach required to be notified under an Act or law of State or another jurisdiction prescribed by the regulations.	35 36
14	Cont	racts	for identity protection functions	37
	(1)		Secretary may make and enter into contracts or other agreements in connection the exercise of an identity protection function.	38 39
	(2)	The	regulations may provide for the form and content of the contracts or agreements.	40
15	Fund	tions	s outside New South Wales	41
		The	Secretary may exercise an identity protection function for or in relation to—	42
		(a)	a person who resides or is located within another State or Territory, or	43
		(b)	a department or agency of the Commonwealth or another State or Territory	44

16	Fees		1
	(1)	The Secretary may charge fees under this Act or the regulations for or in relation to the exercise of a function under this Act or the regulations, including for—	2
		(a) an approval or other permission, or	4
		(b) late payment of fees.	5
	(2)	A fee or other charge payable to the Secretary may be recovered by the Secretary as a debt in a court of competent jurisdiction.	6 7
	(3)	Γhe regulations may—	8
		(a) prescribe the fees or the way in which the fees may be calculated, and	9
		(b) provide for the exemption from or waiver or refund of fees under this Act or in relation to this Act, and	10 11
		(c) provide for payment of a deposit or prepayment in relation to a fee.	12
17	Deleg	ation	13
		The Secretary may delegate the exercise of a function of the Secretary under this Act, other than this power of delegation, to a member of staff of the Department.	14 15

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			ecretary must keep a register (the <i>compromised ID register</i> ) for compromised by documents in a way prescribed by the regulations.	4 5
19	Secre	etary to	record compromised identity documents	6
			ecretary may record an identity document in the compromised ID register if, in cretary's opinion, the identity document has or may have been compromised.	7 8
20	Remo	oval of	records from register at request	9
	(1)	The So	ecretary must remove records about an individual from the compromised ID er if—	10 11
		` ′	requested by the individual in the approved way, and	12
			the Secretary is satisfied the request is for a purpose prescribed by the regulations.	13 14
	(2)	The So	ecretary may remove records about an individual from the compromised ID er if—	15 16
			requested by the issuer of an identity document or member of the NSW Police Force, and	17 18
		(b)	the Secretary is satisfied the request is for a purpose prescribed by the regulations.	19 20
	(3)		ection does not limit the exercise of the Secretary's function to remove records he compromised ID register for the purposes of maintaining the register.	21 22
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22	Discl	osure t	to impacted individuals	27
	(1)	The Se the in- registe	ecretary must, as soon as reasonably practicable, disclose to an individual when dividual's identity document has been recorded on the compromised ID er.	28 29 30
	(2)		dual to whom the information relates at any time.	31 32
23	Discl	osure t	to issuers of identity documents	33
	(1)		ecretary must, as soon as reasonably practicable, disclose to the issuer of an any document when the identity document is recorded on the compromised ID er.	34 35 36
	(2)	The Se	ecretary must make the disclosure to the issuer by written notice.	37
	(3)	The Se	ecretary may—	38
			give the issuer information that the Secretary considers relevant to the disclosure, and	39 40

		(b) recommend the issuer take certain steps in response to the identity document being recorded on the register.	1 2
	(4)	The Secretary may disclose to the issuer when the identity document is removed from the compromised ID register.	3 4
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		relevant purpose, in relation to a life status check—see section 27.	8
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	(1)	A person who wishes to be eligible to request one or both of the following disclosures may apply to the Secretary for eligibility—	10 11
		(a) the disclosure of information about whether an identity document is on the compromised ID register under section 26,	12 13
		(b) the disclosure of information to verify the life status of an individual under section 28.	14 15
	(2)	The application must be—	16
		(a) made in the approved way, and	17
		(b) accompanied by the fee prescribed by the regulations, if any.	18
	(3)	The Secretary may, by written notice to the applicant—	19
		(a) approve the application with or without conditions, or	20
		(b) refuse the application.	21
	(4)	The Secretary must not grant the approval unless the Secretary is satisfied the person meets the criteria prescribed by the regulations.	22 23
	(5)	The Secretary may, by written notice to the approval holder, cancel or suspend the approval with or without conditions.	24 25
	(6)	The regulations may—	26
		(a) make further provision about an approval, including the grant of an approval, under this section, or	27 28
		(b) prescribe persons or classes of persons who may be taken to hold an approval under this section.	29 30
26	Com	promised ID register checks	31
	(1)	An eligible fraud check user may apply to the Secretary for a disclosure of information about whether an identity document is recorded on the compromised ID register.	32 33 34
	(2)	The application must be—	35
		(a) made in the approved way, and	36
		(b) accompanied by the prescribed fee, if any.	37
	(3)	After receiving the application, the Secretary may disclose, or refuse to disclose, the information to the fraud check user.	38 39
	(4)	Despite subsection (3), the Secretary must not disclose the information to the fraud check user unless the Secretary is reasonably satisfied that—	40 41

		(a) the individual whose identity document or purported identity document is the subject of the disclosure has consented to the disclosure, and	1 2
		(b) the fraud check user will only use the information for one or more of the following purposes—	3 4
		(i) to reduce the risk of fraudulent use of the individual's identity, or	5
		(ii) another purpose prescribed by the regulations.	6
	(5)	Despite subsections (3) and (4), the Secretary—	7
		(a) must not disclose the information to the fraud check user in circumstances prescribed by the regulations, and	8 9
		(b) must only disclose information of a kind prescribed by the regulations.	10
27	Rele	vant purpose for life status checks	11
		The Secretary must not use information about, or determine, the life status of an individual unless for one or more of the following purposes (a <i>relevant purpose</i> )—	12 13
		(a) for an individual whose personal information has or may have been compromised—	14 15
		(i) to assess the risk of harm to the individual or another person caused by the compromise, or	16 17
		(ii) to identify and notify the individual in relation to the compromise,	18
		(b) to reduce the risk of fraudulent use of the individual's identity if the individual is deceased.	19 20
28	Life	status checks for fraud check users	21
	(1)	An eligible fraud check user may apply to the Secretary for a disclosure of information about the life status of an individual.	22 23
	(2)	The application must be—	24
		(a) made in the approved way, and	25
		(b) accompanied by the prescribed fee, if any.	26
	(3)	After receiving the application, the Secretary may disclose, or refuse to disclose, the information to the fraud check user.	27 28
	(4)	Despite subsection (3), the Secretary—	29
		(a) must not disclose the information unless the Secretary is satisfied the fraud check user will only use the information for a relevant purpose, and	30 31
		(b) must only disclose information of a kind prescribed by the regulations.	32

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29	Defin	In thi	s part—	3
			c sector agency has the same meaning as in the Privacy and Personal mation Protection Act 1998.	5 6
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30	Appl	ication	of division	8
	(1)	This o	division has effect despite any Act or law, including the following—	9
		(a)	the <i>Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998</i> , sections 9–11 and 15–19,	10 11
		(b)	the <i>Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002</i> , Schedule 1, clauses 1–4 and 6–11.	12 13
	(2)	This o	division does not limit the application of section 33.	14
31	Colle prote	ction,	holding, use and disclosure of personal information for identity functions	15 16
	(1)		Secretary may collect, hold, use and disclose personal information when ising an identity protection function.	17 18
	(2)		rtner authority may collect, hold, use or disclose personal information to linate with the Secretary in response to a personal data compromise.	19 20
	(3)	A pub	olic sector agency may collect, hold, use or disclose personal information—	21
		(a)	for the purpose of the public sector agency requesting the Secretary to exercise an identity protection function, or	22 23
		(b)	for the purpose of the Secretary exercising an identity protection function, or	24
		(c)	for another reason in connection with the Secretary exercising an identity protection function.	25 26
	(4)		out limiting subsections (1)–(3), a person may disclose personal information to ecretary for the purpose of the Secretary exercising an identity protection ion.	27 28 29
32	Unla	wful co	onduct not exempt	30
	(1)	when	division does not apply to a person if the person engages in unlawful conduct collecting, holding, using or disclosing personal information in connection the exercise of an identity protection function.	31 32 33
	(2)	Witho	out limiting subsection (1), this division does not apply to a person who—	34
		(a)	is party to a contract or agreement with the Secretary that relates to the exercise of an identity protection function, and	35 36
		(b)	breaches a specified provision of the contract or agreement when collecting, holding, using or disclosing personal information in connection to the exercise of the identity protection function.	37 38 39
	(3)	writte	ection (2) does not have effect unless, before the breach, the Secretary has given en notice to the person specifying a provision or provisions for the purpose of ection (2)(b).	40 41 42

Div	ision	3	Prof	tected disclosures	1
33	Exclu	ısion	of liab	oility for disclosures otherwise prohibited	2
	(1)			sure of information between the following persons is a <i>protected</i> if the disclosure is for the exercise of an identity protection function—	3
		(a)	a pub	plic sector agency and the Secretary,	5
		(b)	a law	enforcement agency and the Secretary,	6
		(c)	anoth	ner person and the Secretary.	7
	(2)			ing applies to a person referred to in subsection (1) who makes or is a protected disclosure—	9
		(a)	the p	erson does not incur civil liability, including liability—	10
			(i)	for an action for defamation, or	11
			(ii)	for breaching a duty of secrecy or confidentiality, or	12
			(iii)	for breaching another restriction on disclosure applicable to the person, whether or not imposed by this Act or another law, and	13 14
		(b)	the p	erson does not incur criminal liability, including liability for breaching—	15
			(i)	a law or code of conduct imposing a duty of secrecy or confidentiality, or	16 17
			(ii)	another restriction in relation to the disclosure of information, and	18
		(c)	the p	erson is not liable to disciplinary action.	19
	(3)		section on—	(2) does not apply to a person if the liability arises in relation to the	20 21
		(a)	contr	ravening a provision of this Act, or	22
		(b)		ching a contract or agreement that relates to the exercise of an identity	23

Part 5		Identity Protection and Recovery Fund		•
34	Establishment of Fund			2
	(1)		nd is established in the Special Deposits Account called the Identity Protection Recovery Fund (the <i>Fund</i> ).	3
	(2)	The	Fund is administered by the Secretary.	5
35	Payr	nents	into Fund	6
		The	following must be paid into the Fund—	7
		(a)	money appropriated by Parliament for the Fund,	8
		(b)	money authorised by the Treasurer for the Fund,	g
		(c)	money directed or authorised to be paid into the Fund under this Act or another Act or law,	10 11
		(d)	money paid to the Secretary under a contract or agreement in connection with an identity protection function,	12 13
		(e)	fees or other charges payable to the Secretary under this Act,	14
		(f)	the proceeds of the investment of money in the Fund.	15
36	Payments out of Fund			16
	Money may be paid out of the Fund—			
		(a)	to meet expenses for the Secretary's functions under this Act,	18
		(b)	to meet expenses in relation to the administration of the Fund and this Act,	19
		(c)	to meet expenses incurred by a NSW Government agency in assisting the Secretary in the exercise of an identity protection function,	20 21
		(d)	for payments authorised or required under another Act or law consistent with the objects of this Act.	22 23

Part 6		Miscellaneous			
37	Pers	onal liability	2		
	(1)	A protected person is not personally subject to liability for anything done—	3		
		(a) in good faith, and	4		
		(b) for the purpose of exercising a function under this Act.	5		
	(2)	The liability instead attaches to the Crown.	6		
	(3)	In this section—			
	. ,	done includes omitted to be done.			
		liability means civil liability and includes action, claim or demand.	9		
		protected person means the following—	10		
		(a) the Minister,	11		
		(b) the Secretary,	12		
		(c) a person acting under the direction of the following—	13		
		(i) the Minister,	14		
		(ii) the Secretary,	15		
		(iii) a NSW Government agency or statutory body representing the Crown.	16		
38	Reg	Regulations			
	(1)	The Governor may make regulations about a matter that is—	18		
		(a) required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed, or	19		
		(b) necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.	20 21		
	(2)	The regulations may apply, adopt or incorporate, wholly or in part and with or without modification, a publication in force at a particular time or from time to time.			
	(3)	The Minister must consult with the Privacy Commissioner on regulations propo to be made under the following sections before the regulations are recommended the Governor—			
		(a) section 10,	27		
		(b) section 11,	28		
		(c) section 26(5)(b),	29		
		(d) section 28(4)(b).	30		
39	Review of Act		31		
	(1)	The Minister must review the operation of this Act to determine whether—	32		
		(a) the policy objectives of the Act remain valid, and	33		
		(b) the terms of the Act remain appropriate for achieving the policy objectives.	34		
	(2)	The review must be undertaken as soon as practicable after the period of 2 years from the commencement of this Act.	35 36		

#### Schedule 1 Identity documents

section 6(1)(a)

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- a birth certificate issued by or on behalf of an authority of the State or another State or Territory
- a death certificate issued by or on behalf of an authority of the State or another State or Territory
- a concession card within the meaning of the Social Security Act 1991 of the Commonwealth
- 4 a notice given under the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* of the Commonwealth, section 37, stating that a person is an Australian citizen at a particular time
- a certificate issued by an authority of the State or another State or Territory indicating that an individual has changed the individual's name
- a driver licence, however described, issued by or on behalf of an authority of the State or another State or Territory
- a document issued by or on behalf of an authority of the State or another State or Territory to assist an individual to prove the individual's age or identity
- 8 a document issued to an individual, as a person who is not an Australian citizen, by an authority of the Commonwealth in which the *Migration Act 1958* of the Commonwealth is administered to assist the individual to prove the individual's identity
- 9 a certificate of marriage issued by or on behalf of an authority of the State or another State or Territory whose function is to register marriages
- a document issued by a court setting out a divorce order made under the Family Law Act 1975 of the Commonwealth
- an Australian travel document within the meaning of the *Australian Passports Act 2005* of the Commonwealth
- a certificate signed by an officer within the meaning of the *Migration Act 1958* of the Commonwealth stating that, at a specified time or during a specified period, a specified person was the holder of a visa that was in effect
- an entry in a Roll within the meaning of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* of the Commonwealth relating to a particular individual
- 14 an aviation security identification card issued under the Aviation Transport Security Act 2004 of the Commonwealth
- an MSIC issued under the *Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Act 2003* of the Commonwealth
- a medicare card within the meaning of the *National Health Act 1953* of the Commonwealth, section 84(1)

Schedule 2 Savings, transitional and other provisions				1
1	Regulations			
	(1)		regulations may contain provisions of a savings or transitional nature consequent the commencement of—	3
		(a)	a provision of this Act, or	Ę
		(b)	a provision amending this Act.	6
			vings or transitional provision consequent on the commencement of a provision not be made more than 2 years after the commencement.	7
	(3)	(3) A savings or transitional provision made consequent on the commencement of a provision is repealed 2 years after the commencement.		10
	(4)		vings or transitional provision made consequent on the commencement of a ision may take effect before that commencement but not before—	11 12
		(a)	for a provision of this Act—the date of assent to this Act, or	13
		(b)	for a provision amending this Act—the date of assent to the amending Act.	14
	(5) A savings or transitional provision taking effect before the provision's publithe NSW legislation website does not—		vings or transitional provision taking effect before the provision's publication on NSW legislation website does not—	15 16
		(a)	affect the rights of a person existing before the publication in a way prejudicial to the person, or	17 18
		(b)	impose liabilities on a person for anything done or omitted to be done before the publication.	19 20
	(6)	In th	is section—	21
		norsa	on does not include the State or an authority of the State	22

Schedule 3	Amendment of Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 No 52	1
Schedule 1 public inter	Information for which there is conclusive presumption of overriding est against disclosure	3 4
Insert at the	end of the schedule, with appropriate clause numbering—	5
Inform Prote	nation relating to cyber security and data compromises under the Identity ction and Recovery Act 2025	6 7
	It is to be conclusively presumed that there is an overriding public interest against the disclosure of information contained in a document prepared for advising on or the assessment of a personal data compromise under the <i>Identity Protection and Recovery Act 2025</i> if the information could worsen a person's cyber security or lead to further personal data compromises.	8 9 10 11 12

**Secretary** means the Secretary of the Department.

#### **Dictionary** Schedule 4 1 section 4 2 approved way means in a way approved by the Secretary. 3 *compromised*, in relation to personal information—see section 5. 4 compromised ID register—section 18. 5 **Department** means the Department of Customer Service. exercise, a function, includes perform a duty. 7 fraud check user means a person approved under section 25. 8 *function* includes a power, authority or duty. 9 *Fund*—see section 34(1). 10 *identity document*—see section 6. 11 identity fraud control functions—see section 11. 12 identity protection and recovery functions—see section 10. 13 identity protection functions—see section 9(1). 14 impacted individual means an individual whose personal information is the subject of a personal 15 data compromise. 16 law enforcement agency means— 17 a law enforcement agency within the meaning of the Privacy and Personal Information 18 Protection Act 1998, or 19 another person or body prescribed by the regulations. 20 *life status* means whether a person is alive or dead. 21 *partner authorities*—see section 13(1). 22 personal data compromise—see section 7. 23 personal information includes— 24 personal information within the meaning of the Privacy and Personal Information 25 Protection Act 1998, and 26 (b) health information within the meaning of the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 27 2002, and 28 an identity document. (c) 29 public sector agency, for Part 4—see section 29. 30 *relevant purpose*, for Part 3, Division 3—see section 24. 31