



New South Wales

University of New South Wales Amendment (St George Campus) Bill 1998

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *University of New South Wales Act 1989* so as:

- (a) to require Ministerial approval for all leases of land within the St George campus of the University, and
 - (b) to require the Minister, in deciding whether or not to approve a proposed lease of such land, to consider whether or not it is reasonably likely that the land could instead be used by a public university for the provision of teacher education.
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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.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendment to the *University of New South Wales Act 1989* set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendment

Schedule 1 inserts three new subsections into section 17. The first subsection (subsection (3A)) excludes the operation of section 17 (3) (which allows short-term leases of University property to be granted without Ministerial approval) in relation to the St George campus of the University, so requiring Ministerial approval for such leases. The second subsection (subsection (3B)) requires the Minister, in deciding whether or not to approve a proposed lease of such land, to consider whether or not it is reasonably likely that the land could instead be used by a public university for the provision of teacher education. The third subsection (subsection (3C)) defines the expression *the St George campus* as the land on which the former St George Institute of Education was situated before it became part of the University.

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No. , 1998

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *University of New South Wales Act 1989* with respect to the St George campus of the University.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *University of New South Wales Amendment (St George Campus) Act 1998*.

2 Commencement

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This Act commences on the date of assent.

3 Amendment of University of New South Wales Act 1989 No 125

The *University of New South Wales Act 1989* is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendment

(Section 3)

Section 17 Powers of Council relating to property

Insert after section 17 (3):

- (3A) Despite subsection (3), the Council may not lease land within the St George campus of the University without the approval of the Minister. 5
- (3B) In deciding whether or not to approve a proposed lease of land within the St George campus of the University, the Minister must consider whether or not it is reasonably likely that the land could instead be used by a public university for the provision of teacher education. 10
- (3C) In subsections (3A) and (3B), *the St George campus* means the land on which the former St George Institute of Education was situated before it became part of the University pursuant to the *Higher Education (Amalgamation) Act 1989*. 15

