

Local Government Further Amendment (Graffiti) Bill 2002

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 *Local Government Act 1993* to enable a local council:

- (a) to recover from a public authority expenses incurred by the council for removal of graffiti from property owned or occupied by the public authority, and
- (b) to order removal of graffiti from property owned or occupied by a public authority.

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 assent.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Local Government Act 1993* set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments

Under section 67A of the *Local Government Act 1993*, a council may, by agreement with the owner or occupier of any private land, carry out graffiti removal work on the land. Under section 67B of that Act, a council may also, without the agreement of the owner or occupier of any land, carry out at the council's expense graffiti removal work to property on that land if the graffiti is visible from a public place and the graffiti removal work required can be carried out from a public place.