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Water Management Amendment (Water Property Rights Compensation) Bill 2006

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 *Water Management Act 2000* to provide for compensation under the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991* for the compulsory acquisition of water access licences and for the reduction in water allocations for the holders of those licences as a consequence of certain variations of bulk access regimes.

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 that gives effect to the amendments to the *Water Management Act 2000* set out in Schedule 1.

Clause 4 is a formal provision that gives effect to the amendments to the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991* set out in Schedule 2.

Schedules 1 and 2 give effect to the object set out in the Overview above.

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	This Act is the Water Management Amendment (Water Property Rights Compensation) Act 2006.	3 4	
2	Commencement	5	
	This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.	6	
3	Amendment of Water Management Act 2000 No 92		
	The Water Management Act 2000 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.	8	
4	Amendment of Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 No 22	9 10	
	The Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 is amended as set out in Schedule 2.	11 12	

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Amendment of Water Management Act 2000

Schedule 1

Schedule 1 Amendment of Water Management Act 1 2000 2 (Section 3) 3 [1] Section 79 Compulsory acquisition of access licences 4 Omit "from the State for the market value of the licence as at the time it was 5 compulsorily acquired" from section 79 (2). 6 Insert instead "under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 7 *1991*". 8 [2] Section 79 (3)–(5) and (7) 9 Omit the subsections. 10 Section 87 Compensation payable in certain circumstances for [3] 11 reductions in water allocations arising during initial period for which 12 management plan is in force 13 Omit "may claim compensation for loss suffered by the holder as a 14 consequence of that reduction" from section 87 (1). 15 Insert instead "is entitled, under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms 16 Compensation) Act 1991, to compensation for loss suffered by the holder as a 17 consequence of that reduction". 18 Section 87 (3)-(7) [4] 19 Omit the subsections. 20

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Schedule 2 Amendment of Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991

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(Section 4)

[1]	Section 4 Definitions			4
	Insert at the end of paragraph (c) in the definition of <i>registered interest</i> in section 4 (1):			
			, or	7
		(d)	referred to in subsection (6) (a).	8
[2]	Section 4 (6)			
	Insert after section 4 (5):			10
	(6)	For t	he purposes of this Act:	11
		(a)	an <i>interest in land</i> includes an access licence registered under the <i>Water Management Act 2000</i> , and	12 13
		(b)	a variation of a bulk access regime for which compensation is payable under section 87 of that Act is taken to be a compulsory acquisition of an interest in land.	14 15 16