

Fair Trading Amendment (Information About Complaints) Bill 2015

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to give the Commissioner for Fair Trading the power to publish information about complaints received by the Commissioner, including the names of persons or businesses that are the subject of the greatest number of complaints.

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 a day to be appointed by proclamation.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Fair Trading Act 1987 No 68

Schedule 1 gives the Commissioner for Fair Trading (who is called "the Secretary" in the Fair Trading Act 1987) the power to publish information about complaints received by the Commissioner in the exercise of functions under the Fair Trading Act 1987 or any other legislation administered by the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation, including information as to the identity of the persons or businesses about whom complaints have been made or about whom the greatest number of complaints have been received. The new power will extend to complaints made before the commencement of the proposed section.