



New South Wales

Transport Administration Amendment (Closure of Railway Line at Newcastle) 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 amend the *Transport Administration Act 1988* to authorise a rail infrastructure owner (within the meaning of the Act) to close the public railway line that runs from Railway Street, Wickham, to Newcastle railway station. The authorisation is for the purposes of section 99A of the Act, which prohibits a rail infrastructure owner from closing a railway line (by selling or otherwise disposing of the land concerned or by removing the railway tracks and other works concerned) unless authorised to do so by an Act of Parliament.

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 to the proposed Act.

Clause 3 amends the *Transport Administration Act 1988* to give effect to the object set out in the Overview above.