



New South Wales

Health Services Amendment (Paramedics) 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 *Health Services Act 1997* to prevent a person who does not have recognised qualifications, training or experience from holding himself or herself out to be a paramedic.

A *paramedic* means:

- (a) a person who holds qualifications, or who has received training, or who has experience, prescribed by the regulations, or
- (b) a person who is authorised under the legislation of another Australian jurisdiction to hold himself or herself out to be a paramedic, or
- (c) a member of staff of the Ambulance Service of NSW, or other person, who is authorised by the Health Secretary to hold himself or herself out to be a paramedic.

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.

Clause 3 makes the amendment described above in the Overview.