

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are:

(a) to amend the *Health Services Act 1997*:

(i) to constitute local health districts and establish boards for such districts, and

(ii) to provide for certain statutory health corporations to be specialty networks with boards, and

(iii) to make related amendments and other minor amendments, and

(iv) to enact provisions of a savings or transitional nature, and

(b) to make consequential amendments to certain other Acts and statutory rules.

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 or days to be appointed by proclamation.

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Schedule 1 Amendment of Health Services Act 1997

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1.1 Principal amendments

Schedule 1.1 amends the *Health Services Act 1997* (the **Principal Act**):

(a) to constitute local health districts to replace existing local health networks (see

Schedule 1.1 [1], [6] and [7]), and

(b) to provide for the establishment of boards for each local health district instead of the existing system of local health network governing councils (see

Schedule 1.1 [2]), and

(c) to provide for certain statutory health corporations to be specialty networks with boards (see **Schedule 1.1 [3], [4], [5] and [8]**), and

(d) to update certain definitions as a consequence of these amendments (see **Schedule 1.1 [11]**), and

(e) to enable the Governor to make regulations of a savings or transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the proposed Act (see **Schedule 1.1 [9]**), and

(f) to enact provisions of a savings and transitional nature including, for example, provisions providing for existing local health networks to be reconstituted as local health districts (see **Schedule 1.1 [10]**).

1.2 Related amendments updating references and other minor amendments

Schedule 1.2 makes general amendments to the Principal Act so as to update provisions by replacing references to terms that have changed as a result of the amendments made by Schedule 1.1. Schedule 1.2 also makes some other minor amendments to the Principal Act.

Schedule 2 Consequential amendment of other Acts and statutory rules

Schedule 2 makes amendments to various other Acts and statutory rules that are consequential on the amendments made to the Principal Act by the proposed Act.