

Education Amendment (Computing Skills) Bill 2003

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

Section 94 (2) of the *Education Act 1990* requires candidates for the School Certificate to be tested on a State-wide basis in various specified areas. The object of this Bill is to amend section 94 to include Computing Skills as one of those areas. The requirement will be phased in to take effect on 1 January 2006 or, if before that date the Minister for Education and Training after consultation with the Board of Studies determines a later date, on that later date.

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 Act.

Clause 3 is a formal provision that gives effect to the amendments to the *Education Act 1990* set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments

Schedule 1 makes the amendments described in the Overview of the Bill.