This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

> R. E. WARD, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 2 June, 1977.



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Act No. , 1977.

An Act to amend the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited Act, 1975, with respect to the satisfaction of claims, judgments and awards arising from or pertaining to policies of insurance issued by the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited; and to validate certain matters.

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2. (1) This Act, except section 3 (d) and (e), shall be Commencedeemed to have commenced on 27th April, 1976.

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- (a) may in all respects deal with and finalise of policies of insurance. any claim; and
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(2) A reference in subsection (1) (b) to any right of the Company includes a reference to any right the Company would have had but for its dissolution pursuant to section 64 of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926, or for the purpose of recovering contribution from an insurer.

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- (a) shall, as manager of the fund, satisfy any liability of the Company in respect of any claim, judgment or award arising from or pertaining to any policy of insurance issued by the Company; and
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 - (i) to be paid, as manager of the fund, the costs of administration of the fund; and
 - (ii) to be indemnified against all liabilities met by it and all costs and expenses that it may incur, as manager of the fund, in or in connection with the exercise or performance or the purported exercise or performance of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this Act.

5E. The liquidator of the Company shall not be Exclusion of personally liable for or in respect of the exercise or liability of performance or the purported exercise or performance by the Government Insurance Office of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this Act.

(d) by inserting after section 6 the following section :- Sec. 6A.

6A. The Company shall not be dissolved before Dissolution such day as may be appointed by the Governor in ^{of Company}. respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

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(2) A person referred to in subsection (1) may make a claim against the Government Insurance Office, as manager of the Contribution Fund, in respect of an entitlement to payment of an amount under that subsection.

(3) Section 5c (1) and section 5D apply in respect of a claim referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply in respect of a claim referred to in those sections and in so applying those sections-

- (a) a reference to the fund shall be construed as a reference to the Contribution Fund; and
- (b) a reference to any right or liability of the Company shall be construed as a reference to any right or liability the Company would have had but for its dissolution.

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BY AUTHORITY D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES—1977 [8c]

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[MR F. J. WALKER-29 March, 1977.]

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"Contribution Fund" means the Insurers' Contribution Fund established under section 30H (1) of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926;

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(3) Section 5c (1) and section 5D apply in respect of a claim referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply in respect of a claim referred to in those sections and in so applying those sections-

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Northumberland Insurance Company Limited (Amendment).

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BY AUTHORITY D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES-1977 [8c]

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NORTHUMBERLAND INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1977

EXPLANATORY NOTE

THE objects of this Bill are-

- (a) to provide for the application of the income accruing from the investment of the fund established under section 3 of the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited Act, 1975 (hereinafter called "the fund") (clause 3 (b));
- (b) to require the liquidator of the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited (hereinafter called "the Company") to forward workers' compensation claims made against the Company to the Government Insurance Office (clause 3 (c));
- (c) to require the liquidator of the Company to deliver to the Government Insurance Office certain documents relating to insurance policies issued by the Company (clause 3 (c)) and to validate certain actions taken in that behalf (clause 2 (1));
- (d) to extend the Supreme Court's powers of control in respect of the liquidator of the Company (clause 3 (c));
- (e) to empower the Government Insurance Office to act in the place of the Company in respect of claims, judgments and awards arising from insurance policies issued by the Company (clause 3 (c));
- (f) to provide for the application of the fund (clause 3 (c));
- (g) to exclude the liquidator of the Company from personal liability for the actions of the Government Insurance Office under the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited Act, 1975, as amended by the proposed Act (clause 3 (c));
- (h) to provide that the Company shall not be dissolved before a day appointed by the Governor (clause 3 (d));
- (i) to enable workers' compensation claims in respect of insurance policies issued by the Company to be made after the date of dissolution of the Company against the Government Insurance Office and to provide for the satisfaction of those claims out of the Insurers' Contribution Fund established under section 30H (1) of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926 (clause 3 (e));
- (j) to provide for the ultimate distribution of any money remaining in the fund (clause 3 (e));
- (k) to enable the Government Insurance Office to prove as debts in the winding up of the Company amounts paid by it, or to which it is entitled, out of the fund (clause 3 (f)); and
- (1) to make other provisions of a minor, consequential or ancillary character.

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(a) by inserting in section 2 after the definition of Sec. 2. "Company" the following definition :---(Definitions.)

"Contribution Fund" means the Insurers' Contribution Fund established under section 30H (1) of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926;

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(d) by inserting after section 6 the following section :- Sec. 6A.

6A. The Company shall not be dissolved before Dissolution such day as may be appointed by the Governor in of Company. respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

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(2) A person referred to in subsection (1) may make a claim against the Government Insurance Office, as manager of the Contribution Fund, in respect of an entitlement to payment of an amount under that subsection.

(3) Section 5c (1) and section 5D apply in respect of a claim referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply in respect of a claim referred to in those sections and in so applying those sections-

- (a) a reference to the fund shall be construed as a reference to the Contribution Fund; and
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BY AUTHORITY D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES-1977

NORTHUMBERLAND INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED AMENDMENT ACT, 1977

New South Wales



ELIZABETHÆ II REGINÆ

Act No. 63, 1977.

An Act to amend the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited Act, 1975, with respect to the satisfaction of claims, judgments and awards arising from or pertaining to policies of insurance issued by the Northumberland Insurance Company Limited; and to validate certain matters. [Assented to, 7th September, 1977.]

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Short title.

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Commencement.

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(2) Section 3 (d) and (e) shall commence on the date of assent to this Act.

Amendment of Act No. 86, 1975.

3. The Northumberland Insurance Company Limited Act, 1975, is amended—

Sec. 2. (Definitions.) (a) by inserting in section 2 after the definition of "Company" the following definition :—

> "Contribution Fund" means the Insurers' Contribution Fund established under section 30H (1) of the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926;

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5. The liquidator of the Company shall, on the receipt by him of any claim pertaining to any policy of insurance issued by the Company, forward that claim to the Government Insurance Office.

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Liquidator to notify Government Insurance Office of claims.

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6A. The Company shall not be dissolved before such day as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

Exclusion of liability of liquidator.

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Act No. 63, 1977.

Northumberland Insurance Company Limited (Amendment).

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BY AUTHORITY D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES—1977





I certify that this PUBLIC BILL, which originated in the LEGISLA-TIVE ASSEMBLY, has finally passed the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL and the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY of NEW SOUTH WALES.

> R. E. WARD, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 16 August, 1977.



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I have examined this Bill, and find it to correspond in all respects with the Bill as finally passed by both Houses.

> T. J. CAHILL, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

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5D.

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Northumberland Insurance Company Limited (Amendment).

Application of fund.

5D. Out of the fund, the Government Insurance Office-

(a) shall, as manager of the fund, satisfy any liability of the Company in respect of any claim, judgment or award arising from or pertaining to any policy of insurance issued by the Company; and

(b) is entitled—

- (i) to be paid, as manager of the fund, the costs of administration of the fund : and
- (ii) to be indemnified against all liabilities met by it and all costs and expenses that it may incur, as manager of the fund, in or in connection with the exercise or performance or the purported exercise or performance of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this Act.

5E. The liquidator of the Company shall not be personally liable for or in respect of the exercise or performance or the purported exercise or performance by the Government Insurance Office of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this Act.

Sec. 6A.

(d) by inserting after section 6 the following section :---

6A. The Company shall not be dissolved before such day as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

Exclusion of liability of liquidator.

Dissolution of Company.

(e) by inserting after section 7 the following sections :- Secs. 7A, 7B.

7A. (1) When the Company has been dissolved, Entitlements a person who would have had, but for the dissolu- payable after tion of the Company, an entitlement to payment of the of any amount arising from or pertaining to any Company. policy of insurance issued by the Company, other than an entitlement to payment of an amount under section 7, shall be entitled to payment of that amount out of the Contribution Fund.

(2) A person referred to in subsection (1) may make a claim against the Government Insurance Office, as manager of the Contribution Fund, in respect of an entitlement to payment of an amount under that subsection.

(3) Section 5c (1) and section 5D apply in respect of a claim referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply in respect of a claim referred to in those sections and in so applying those sections-

- (a) a reference to the fund shall be construed as a reference to the Contribution Fund; and
- (b) a reference to any right or liability of the Company shall be construed as a reference to any right or liability the Company would have had but for its dissolution.

7B. If, after payment out of the fund of all money Final authorised or required to be paid out of the fund application by this Act, any money remains in the fund, the in fund. Government Insurance Office shall pay that money remaining in the fund into the Contribution Fund.

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(f)

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Sec. 8. (Recovery of moneys paid out of the fund.) (f) by omitting section 8 (1) (a) and by inserting instead the following paragraph :—

(a) all amounts paid out of the fund by the Government Insurance Office, or to which the Government Insurance Office is entitled, under the provisions of this Act; and

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty I assent to this Act.

A. R. CUTLER, Governor.

Government House, Sydney, 7th September, 1977.