## **AMBULANCE SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1979**

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

# (This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

The object of this Bill is to ensure that officers, employees and servants of the Health Commission, and honorary ambulance officers, are not liable for any injury or damage caused by them in the provision, in good faith, of ambulance services or in rescuing persons threatened by injury or death.

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## **AMBULANCE SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1979**

No. , 1979.

## A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Ambulance Services Act, 1976, with respect to the personal liability of ambulance officers.

[MR K. J. STEWART-7 November, 1979.]

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#### Ambulance Services (Amendment).

**BE** it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

- 5 1. This Act may be cited as the "Ambulance Services Short title. (Amendment) Act, 1979".
  - 2. The Ambulance Services Act, 1976, is amended—

Amendment of Act No. 72, 1976.

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(3) The Commission is, to the extent that it is not Comor has not been authorised by or under this or any other mission.) Act to do so, hereby authorised and deemed always to have been authorised to protect persons from injury or death, whether or not those persons are or were sick or injured.

- (b) by omitting from section 6 (2) (a) the words "provision Sec. 6. of ambulance services" and by inserting instead the (Honorary words "powers, authorities, duties and functions of the ambulance officers.) Commission specified in section 5";
- 20 (c) by inserting after section 14 the following section :- Sec. 14A.

14A. (1) An officer, employee or servant of the Exculpation Commission or honorary ambulance officer is not liable from certain for any injury or damage caused by him before or after the commencement of the Ambulance Services (Amendment) Act, 1979, in the carrying out by him, in good faith, of any of his duties relating to—

(a) the provision of ambulance services; or

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Ambulance Services (Amendment).

(b) the protection of persons from injury or death, whether or not those persons are or were sick or injured.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) affects section 13 (8) of the Health Commission Act, 1972.

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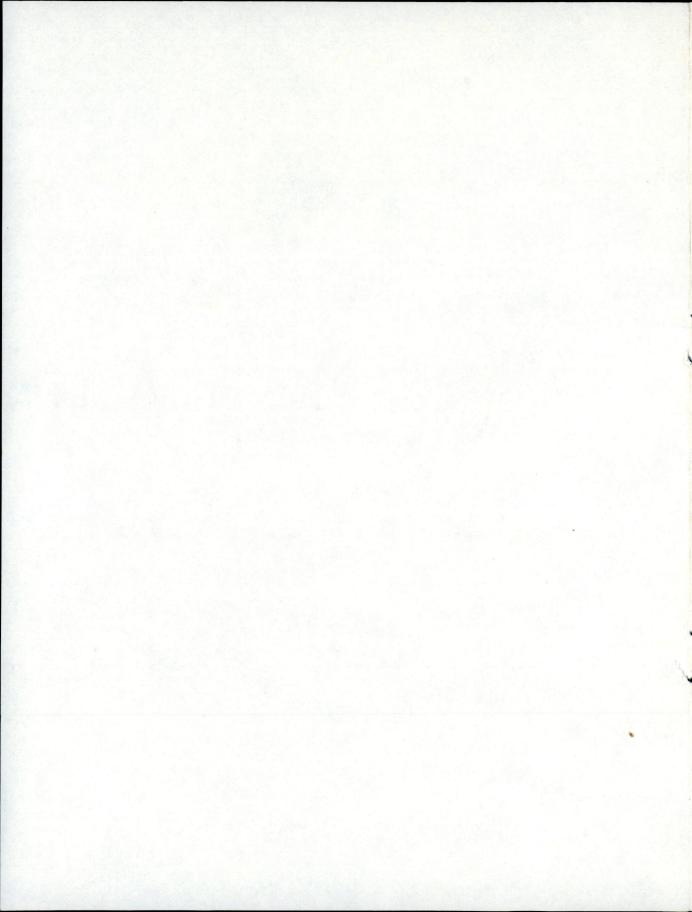
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## Act No. 155, 1979.

An Act to amend the Ambulance Services Act, 1976, with respect to the personal liability of ambulance officers. [Assented to, 10th December, 1979.]

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Act No. 155, 1979.

Ambulance Services (Amendment).

**BE** it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Ambulance Services (Amendment) Act, 1979".

2. The Ambulance Services Act, 1976, is amended—

Amendment of Act No. 72, 1976.

Sec. 5. (Powers, etc., of the Commission.)

Sec. 6. (Honorary ambulance officers.)

Sec. 14A.

Exculpation from certain líability. (a) by inserting after section 5 (2) the following subsection :---

(3) The Commission is, to the extent that it is not or has not been authorised by or under this or any other Act to do so, hereby authorised and deemed always to have been authorised to protect persons from injury or death, whether or not those persons are or were sick or injured.

 (b) by omitting from section 6 (2) (a) the words "provision of ambulance services" and by inserting instead the words "powers, authorities, duties and functions of the Commission specified in section 5";

(c) by inserting after section 14 the following section :---

14A. (1) An officer, employee or servant of the Commission or honorary ambulance officer is not liable for any injury or damage caused by him before or after the commencement of the Ambulance Services (Amendment) Act, 1979, in the carrying out by him, in good faith, of any of his duties relating to—

(a) the provision of ambulance services; or

Act No. 155, 1979.

Ambulance Services (Amendment).

(b) the protection of persons from injury or death, whether or not those persons are or were sick or injured.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) affects section13 (8) of the Health Commission Act, 1972.

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

A. R. CUTLER,

Governor.

Government House, Sydney, 10th December, 1979.

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