### **TRUSTEE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1993**

#### NEW SOUTH WALES



### EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

A trustee may invest trust funds in securities authorised by the trust deed creating the trust or as authorised by section 14A of the Trustee Act 1925, which lists securities in which a trustee is authorised to invest unless expressly forbidden by the trust deed.

The object of this Bill is to amend the Act to enable a trustee to make use of the Reserve Bank Information and Transfer System (RITS) to hold or invest in securities which the trustee is authorised to hold or invest in.

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The Bill inserts a new section into the Act which will equate a chose in action under the RITS system with a security of the description to which the trustee is entitled under the chose in action. A trustee who holds or acquires such a chose in action will be regarded as having invested in the underlying security.

The amendment will not increase the range of securities in which trustees are authorised to invest. It merely permits a different means of investing in securities that are authorised investments.

The new provision will apply to existing trusts as well as new trusts. It will not apply to a trust to the extent that the trust instrument expressly forbids it.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

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## No. , 1993

# A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Trustee Act 1925 to allow a trustee to invest in securities by means of the Reserve Bank Information and Transfer System.

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## The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

## Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Trustee (Amendment) Act 1993.

### Commencement

5 2. This Act commences on a day to be appointed by proclamation.

### Amendment of Trustee Act 1925 No. 14

3. The Trustee Act 1925 is amended by inserting after section 14E the following section:

# Investment in securities under Reserve Bank RITS system

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(2) Accordingly, the holding or acquisition by a trustee of such a chose in action is to be regarded as an investment by the trustee in the underlying security.

(3) It does not matter that the right conferred by the chose in action is a right in respect of securities of a particular description and not in respect of particular securities.

(4) This section applies to a trust created before or after the commencement of this section but applies only to the extent that the trust instrument creating the trust does not expressly forbid its application.

25 (5) In this section:

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[Minister's second reading speech made in— Legislative Council on 21 April 1993 Legislative Assembly on 28 April 1993]

> BY AUTHORITY R. J. MILLIGAN, ACTING GOVERNMENT PRINTER-1993

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