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Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Bill 1997

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are:

- (a) to repeal the principal associated occupational health and safety legislation (such as the *Construction Safety Act 1912* and Part 3 of the *Factories, Shops and Industries Act 1962*) so that comprehensive provision may be made by or in the regulations under the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983* for occupational health and safety, and
- (b) to extend the operation of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983 to cover public safety matters associated with certain plant (whether or not at a place of work) as a consequence of the repeal of provisions in the Construction Safety Act 1912 relating to those matters, and
- (c) to revise the obligations under the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983 relating to plant or substances for use at work, in particular in the light of national standards relating to plant, and
- (d) to make other miscellaneous changes.

Explanatory note

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.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983* (the principal Act) set out in Schedule 1.

Clause 4 is a formal provision giving effect to the repeal and consequential amendment of the associated occupational health and safety legislation set out in Schedule 2.

Clause 5 is a formal provision giving effect to the consequential amendment of other Acts set out in Schedule 3.

Schedule 1 [1] and [13] extend the provisions of the principal Act that protect persons against risks to health and safety arising from the use of plant so that they apply to certain prescribed plant affecting public safety (such as lifts and scaffolding) whether or not at a place of work.

Schedule 1 [2], [4]–[7], [12] and [14] make changes to the principal Act that are consequent on the repeal of the associated occupational health and safety legislation by Schedule 2.

Schedule 1 [3] revises section 18 of the principal Act, which imposes obligations on the designers, manufacturers and suppliers of any plant or substance for use at work to ensure that it is safe and without risks to health when properly used. The revision seeks to express the obligations in plainer terms and in the light of national standards relating to plant.

Schedule 1 [8] ensures that regulations may be made under the principal Act requiring persons to identify hazards arising from work and to assess the risks to health and safety associated with any such hazards and to deal with those risks. Provisions of that kind are contained in national occupational health and safety standards.

Schedule 1 [9] enables occupational health and safety qualifications required by the regulations to be described as certificates of competency as well as permits.

Schedule 1 [10] makes it clear that compliance with the regulations is not of itself a defence in any prosecution for an offence for a breach of the general duties of employers and others under Part 3 of the principal Act, and ensures that a relevant contravention of the regulations is admissible in evidence in any proceedings for such an offence.

Explanatory note

Schedule 1 [11] enables more than one contravention of the principal duties of employers and others under Part 3 of the principal Act to be charged as a single offence if the contraventions arose out of the same factual circumstances.

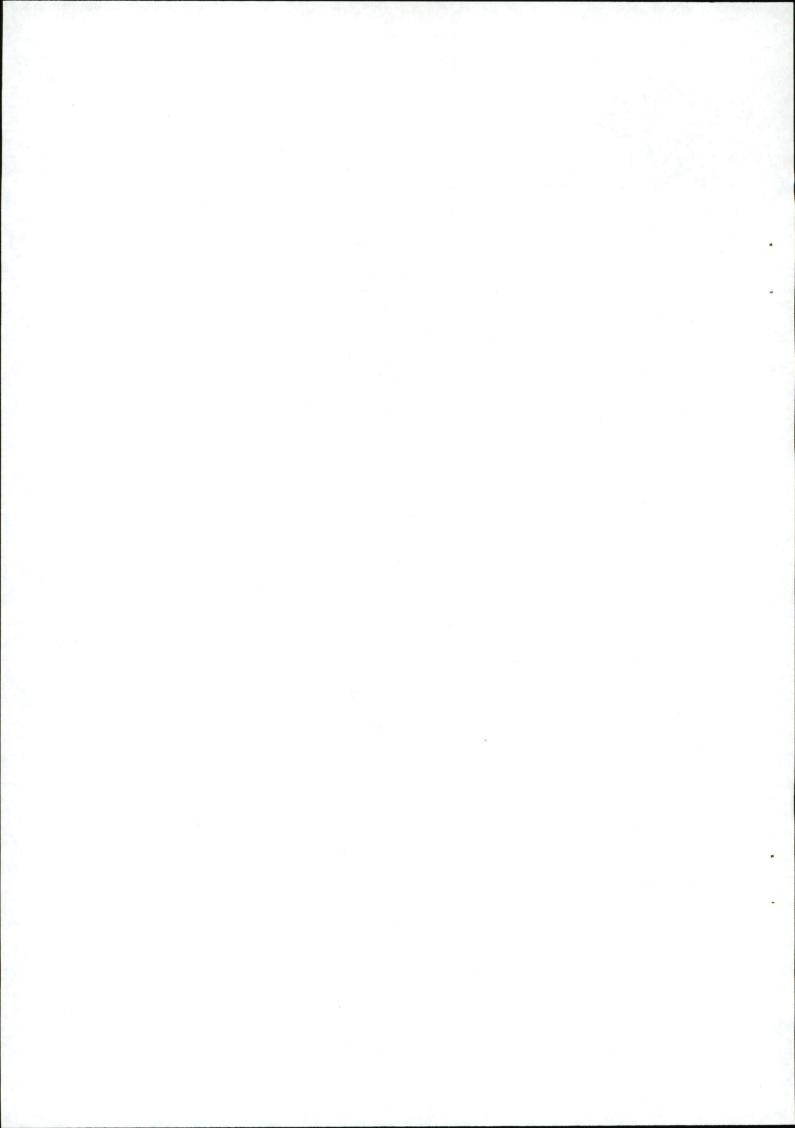
Schedule 1 [15] enables savings and transitional regulations to be made as a consequence of the enactment of the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 [16] makes miscellaneous savings and transitional provisions consequent on the enactment of the proposed Act. In particular, the provisions:

- (a) enable (for at least 3 years after the repeal of the associated occupational health and safety legislation) regulations to be made under the principal Act for any matter that was or could be made under that legislation before its repeal,
- (b) prevent the associated occupational health and safety regulations repealed by the proposed Act being repealed automatically beforehand under the staged repeal provisions of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*,
- (c) save existing certificates of competency that were issued under the associated occupational health and safety legislation and that will be required under the principal Act.

Schedule 2 specifies the Acts, the provisions of Acts and regulations (constituting the associated occupational health and safety legislation) that are repealed or consequentially amended by the proposed Act.

Schedule 3 makes consequential amendments to other Acts.



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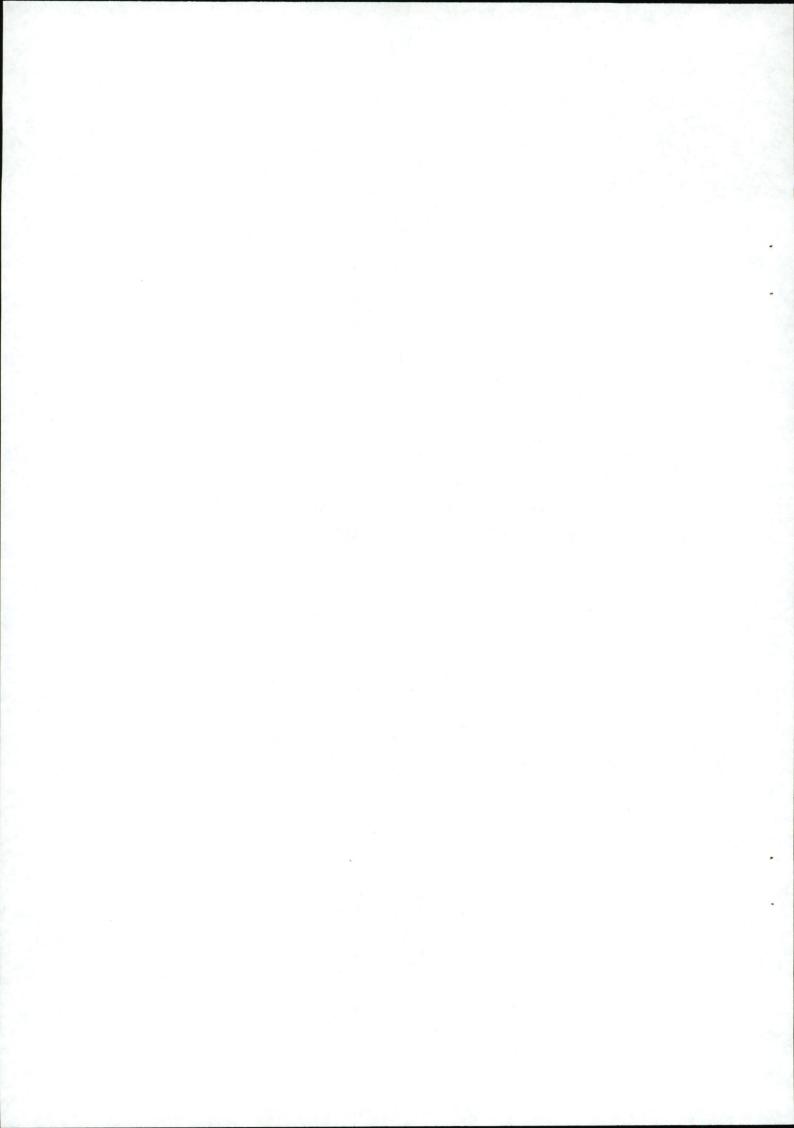
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3 Consequential amendment of other Acts





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Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Bill 1997

No , 1997

A Bill for

An Act to amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983 to extend the operation of that Act; to repeal the Construction Safety Act 1912 and other associated occupational health and safety legislation; and for other purposes.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

1 Name of Act

This Act is the Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997.

2 Commencement

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This Act commences on a day or days to be appointed by proclamation.

3 Amendment of Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983 No 20

The Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

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4 Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational health and safety legislation

- (1) Each Act or regulation specified in Schedule 2 is repealed or amended as set out in that Schedule.
- (2) Different days may be appointed for the commencement of an 15 item in Schedule 2 for the purpose of repealing or amending different provisions of an Act or regulation specified in Schedule 2 on different days.

5 Consequential amendment of other Acts

Each Act specified in Schedule 3 is amended as set out in that 20 Schedule.

Amendment of Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983

Schedule 1 Amendment of Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983

(Section 3)

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[1] Section 5 Objects

Omit section 5 (1) (d). Insert instead:

- (d) to protect persons (whether or not at a place of work) against risks to health or safety arising from the use of plant that affects public safety.
- [2] Section 5 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[3] Section 18

Omit the section. Insert instead:

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- (1) A person who designs, manufactures or supplies any plant or substance for use by persons at work must:
 - (a) ensure that the plant or substance is safe and without risks to health when properly used, and
 - (b) provide, or arrange for the provision of, adequate 20 information about the plant or substance to the persons to whom it is supplied to ensure its safe use.
- (2) The obligations under this section:
 - (a) apply only if the plant or substance is designed, 25 manufactured or supplied in the course of a trade, business or other undertaking (whether for profit or not), and

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Schedule 1 Amendment of Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983

- (b) apply whether or not the plant or substance is exclusively designed, manufactured or supplied for use by persons at work, and
- (c) extend to the design, manufacture or supply of components for, or accessories to, any plant for use by persons at work, and
- (d) extend to the supply of the plant or substance by way of sale, transfer, lease or hire and whether as principal or agent, and
- (e) extend to the supply of the plant or substance to a 10 person for the purpose of supply to others, and
- (f) do not apply to a person merely because the person supplies the plant or substance in the course of a business of financing the acquisition of the plant or substance by a customer from another 15 person.
- (3) In this section, *manufacture* plant includes assemble, install or erect plant.

Maximum penalty: 5,000 penalty units in the case of a corporation or 500 penalty units in any other case.

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[4] Section 28 Notification under associated occupational health and safety legislation

Omit the section.

[5] Section 29 Definitions

Omit the definition of *relevant legislation*. Insert instead:

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relevant legislation means the provisions of this Act and of the regulations made under this Act.

[6] Part 4, Division 2 Factories, shops and industries legislation (sections 35 and 36)

Omit the Division.

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[7] Part 4, Division 3 Construction safety legislation (sections 37 and 38)

Omit the Division.

[8] Section 45 Regulations

Insert after section 45 (1A) (a):

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- (a1) requiring persons to identify hazards arising from work (including those arising from any premises or other place of work or from any plant or substance for use at work),
- (a2) requiring persons to assess the risks to the health 10 and safety of persons associated with any such hazards and to deal with those risks,
- (a3) designating the persons (whether employers, self-employed persons, principal contractors or other persons) who are to be responsible for 15 compliance with the obligations imposed by the regulations,

[9] Section 45 (1B)

Insert after section 45 (1A):

(1B) A reference in subsection (1A) to a permit includes a 20 reference to a certificate of competency.

[10] Section 46 Relationship with Part 3

Insert at the end of the section:

 (2) Compliance with the regulations is not in itself a defence in any proceedings for an offence against Part 3, subject 25 to any regulations under subsection (1). However, a relevant contravention of the regulations is admissible in evidence in any proceedings for an offence against Part 3.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983

[11] Section 49A

Insert after section 49:

49A Multiple contraventions of Part 3

- (1) More than one contravention of section 15, 16, 17 or 18 by a person that arise out of the same factual circumstances may be charged as a single offence or as separate offences.
- (2) This section does not authorise contraventions of 2 or more of those sections to be charged as a single offence.
- (3) A single penalty only may be imposed in respect of more 10 than one contravention of any such section that is charged as a single offence.

[12] Section 54 Evidentiary statements

Omit section 54 (a) (iii).

[13] Part 7

Insert after section 54:

Part 7 Miscellaneous

54A Plant affecting public safety—extension of Act

(1) In this section:

plant affecting public safety means any plant (including 20 but not limited to plant of the following kinds) that is prescribed by the regulations as plant affecting public safety, whether or not the plant is at a place of work or for use at work:

- (a) boilers and pressure vessels,
- (b) escalators, lifts and moving walks,
- (c) scaffolding.
- (2) The following provisions of this Act extend to plant affecting public safety even though the plant is not at a place of work or is not for use at work:
 - (a) sections 21B–21D,

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- (b) Divisions 3, 4 and 6 of Part 3,
- (c) Parts 4A, 5 and 6.
- (3) For the purposes of the application of those provisions:
 - (a) a reference to work includes a reference to operating any plant affecting public safety, and
 - (b) a reference to premises or a place of work includes a reference to any plant affecting public safety and the premises or other place at or in which the plant is situated or used, and
 - (c) a reference to occupational health and safety 10 includes a reference to public health and safety.
- (4) This section does not affect the application of this Act to plant affecting public safety apart from the operation of this section.

[14] Schedules 2 and 3

Omit the Schedules.

[15] Schedule 8 Savings and transitional provisions

Insert at the end of clause 1 (1) of Part 1:

Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997

[16] Schedule 8, Part 4

Insert after Part 3:

Part 4 Provisions consequent on enactment of Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997

16 Definition

In this Part, *amending Act* means the Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997.

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Schedule 1 Amendment of Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983

17 Temporary preservation of regulation-making powers under repealed associated legislation

Until the end of the period of 3 years after the repeal of the provisions of the former associated occupational health and safety legislation referred to in Schedule 2 to the amending Act, regulations may be made under this Act for or with respect to any matter contained in that legislation or any matter that could have been prescribed by regulation under that legislation (but for its repeal).

18 Staged repeal under Subordinate Legislation Act 1989 of 10 regulations to be repealed by amending Act

A regulation that is to be repealed by the amending Act is taken not to be repealed by section 10 of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*.

19 Saving of existing certificates of competency

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- (1) This clause applies to any certificate of competency or other permit that is required to be held under the regulations made under this Act.
- A certificate of competency or other permit under an Act or regulation (or a provision of an Act or regulation) 20 repealed by the amending Act that:
 - (a) was held immediately before that repeal, and
 - (b) is of a similar kind to a certificate of competency or other permit to which this clause applies,

is taken to be a certificate of competency or other permit 25 to which this clause applies.

(3) This clause is subject to the provisions of the regulations under this Act.

20 Application of amendments to section 18

The amendments made to section 18 by the amending 3 Act:

(a) apply to any plant or substance designed or manufactured after (but not before) the commencement of those amendments, and 30

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(b) apply to any plant or substance supplied after (but not before) the commencement of those amendments, irrespective of when it was designed or manufactured.

21 Application of section 46 (2) (relationship of regulations with Part 3)

Section 46 (2) (as inserted by the amending Act) does not apply to proceedings instituted before the commencement of section 46 (2).

22 Application of section 49A (Multiple contraventions of 10 Part 3)

Section 49A (as inserted by the amending Act) applies to charges made after the commencement of that section, whether the offence to which the charge relates was committed before or after that commencement.

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Schedule 2 Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational health and safety legislation

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(Section 4)

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2.1 Construction Safety Act 1912 No 38

The Act is repealed.

2.2 Construction Safety Regulations 1950

The Regulations are repealed.

2.3 Factories, Shops and Industries Act 1962 No 43

[1] Section 1 Name of Act and commencement

Omit "Factories," from section 1 (1).

[2] Section 4 Definitions

Omit the definitions of Authority, Factory, Furniture, General Manager, Harbour, Inspector, Maintained, Manufacturing process, Mechanical power, Motor spirit, Prescribed and Ship from section 4 (1).

[3] Section 4 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[4] Section 5 Extension of this Act and exemptions therefrom

Omit the section.

[5] Section 6 Construction and application

Omit the section.

Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational Schedule 2 health and safety legislation

[6] Section 6A Part 3 to bind the Crown

Omit the section.

[7] Part 3 Health, safety and welfare in factories, shops and other industries (sections 9–73)

Omit the Part.

[8] Section 74 Definitions

Omit the definition of *Furniture factory* in section 74 (1).

- [9] Section 100 Powers of inspectors Omit section 100 (1) (b).
- [10] Section 100 (1) (f)

Omit ", or furniture factory".

[11] Section 100 (2)

Omit "any furniture factory, or".

[12] Section 144 Regulations

Omit section 144 (1) (e) (i).

[13] Section 144 (2)

Omit the subsection.

- [14] Section 145 Proceedings Omit section 145 (1) (a).
- [15] Section 145 (5)

Omit "or, in a case where the informant is an inspector, by an officer of the WorkCover Authority".

[16] Section 145 (6)

Omit the subsection.

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Schedule 2 Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational health and safety legislation

[17] Section 146 Service of order, notice or summons

Omit "factory," wherever occurring.

[18] Section 147 Penalties

Omit section 147 (1) (a).

[19] Section 147 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[20] Section 147 (4)

Omit "factory,".

[21] Section 148 Evidentiary provisions

Omit section 148 (1) (c).

[22] Section 148 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[23] Section 149 Contracting out

Omit "factory or".

[24] Section 151 Penalty for forging certificates etc and false 15 declaration

Omit "for the registration under this Act of any premises as a factory or".

[25] Section 152 Penalty for destroying notices etc Omit "factory,".

[26] Schedule 2 Savings, transitional and other provisions Omit Part 2. 5

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Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational Schedule 2 health and safety legislation

2.4 Regulations under Factories, Shops and Industries Act 1962

The following regulations under that Act are repealed:

Abrasive Blasting Regulations Boiler and Pressure Vessel Regulations 5 Chaff-cutting Machines (Safety) Regulation 1980 Engine Drivers and Boiler Attendants Certification **Regulations** Explosive-powered Tool Regulations Factories (Health and Safety—Asbestos Processes) 10 Regulation 1984 Factories (Health and Safety—Circular Saws) **Regulations** 1943 Factories (Health and Safety-Dipping in Flammable Solutions) Regulation 1976 15 Factories (Health and Safety) Electroplating Regulation 1988 Factories (Health and Safety-Furnaces) Regulation 1983 Factories (Health and Safety) General Regulations 1913 20 Factories (Health and Safety—Hearing Conservation) Regulation 1979 Factories (Health and Safety—Spray Painting) Regulation 1977 Foundry Regulations 25 Lead Regulations Local Government Industries (Machine Safety) Regulation Locomotive Regulations Rural Industries (Machine Safety) Regulations 30 Timber Industry (Health and Safety) Regulation 1982 Welding Regulations Page 13

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(Section 5)

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3.1 Dangerous Goods Act 1975 No 68

[1] Section 5 Savings and relationship to other laws

Omit ", the Construction Safety Act 1912" from section 5 (3).

[2] Section 41 Regulations

Insert after section 41 (1) (a):

(a1) regulating or prohibiting the use of explosives in connection with the carrying out of any 10 construction or other work, including requiring any person using or in charge of explosives for that purpose to hold a permit under the regulations,

[3] Section 41 (2)

Omit ", the Construction Safety Act 1912".

3.2 Electricity (Pacific Power) Act 1950 No 22

Section 8E Application of certain provisions to subsidiary companies

Omit section 8E (2) (a).

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3.3 Electricity Transmission Authority Act 1994 No 64

Section 25 Application of certain provisions to subsidiary companies

Omit section 25 (2) (a).

3.4 Justices Act 1902 No 27

Section 145B Short description of certain offences

Insert ", or under any Act authorising the issue of a penalty notice for the offence concerned" after "the offence concerned" in section 145B (3).

3.5 Local Government Act 1993 No 30

[1] Section 68 What activities, generally, require the approval of the council?

Omit item 5 of Part F of the Table to section 68. Insert instead:

5 Install or operate amusement devices that are plant affecting public safety within the meaning of section 54A of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983.

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[2] Dictionary

Omit the definition of *amusement device* and the note to that definition.

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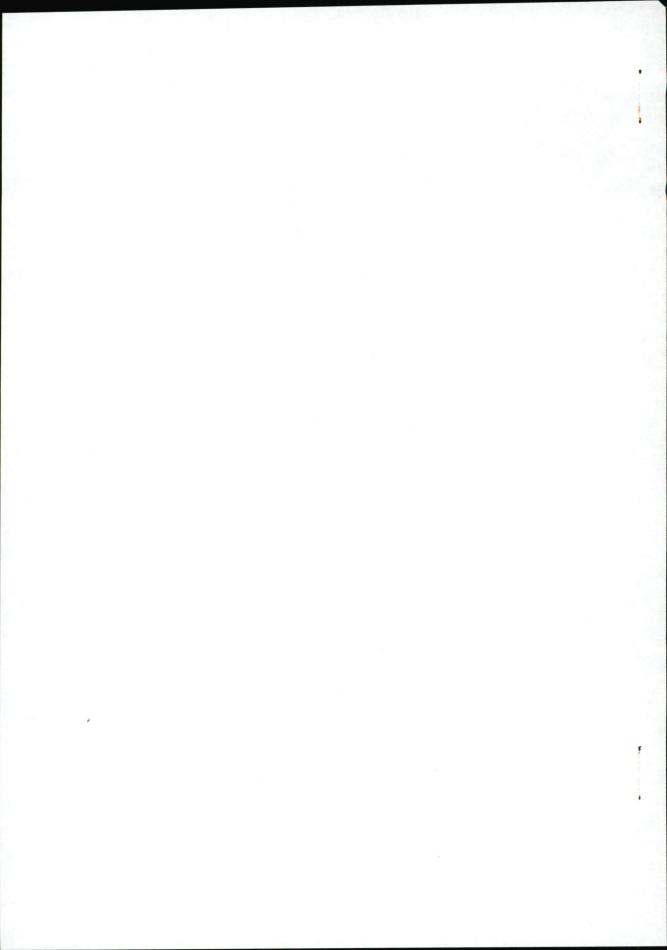
3.6 Subordinate Legislation Act 1989 No 146

Section 10 Staged repeal of statutory rules Omit section 10 (3).



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Act No 51, 1997

An Act to amend the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983* to extend the operation of that Act; to repeal the *Construction Safety Act 1912* and other associated occupational health and safety legislation; and for other purposes. [Assented to 2 July 1997]

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[16] Schedule 8, Part 4

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Part 4 Provisions consequent on enactment of Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997

16 Definition

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[5] Section 6 Construction and application

Omit the section.

Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational Schedule 2 health and safety legislation

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Omit the definition of *Furniture factory* in section 74 (1).

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Omit "any furniture factory, or".

[12] Section 144 Regulations

Omit section 144 (1) (e) (i).

[13] Section 144 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[14] Section 145 Proceedings

Omit section 145 (1) (a).

[15] Section 145 (5)

Omit "or, in a case where the informant is an inspector, by an officer of the WorkCover Authority".

[16] Section 145 (6)

Omit the subsection.

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[17] Section 146 Service of order, notice or summons

Omit "factory," wherever occurring.

[18] Section 147 Penalties

Omit section 147 (1) (a).

[19] Section 147 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[20] Section 147 (4)

Omit "factory,".

[21] Section 148 Evidentiary provisions

Omit section 148 (1) (c).

[22] Section 148 (2)

Omit the subsection.

[23] Section 149 Contracting out

Omit "factory or".

[24] Section 151 Penalty for forging certificates etc and false declaration

Omit "for the registration under this Act of any premises as a factory or".

[25] Section 152 Penalty for destroying notices etc

Omit "factory,".

[26] Schedule 2 Savings, transitional and other provisions Omit Part 2.

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Repeal and consequential amendment of associated occupational Schedule 2 health and safety legislation

2.4 Regulations under Factories, Shops and Industries Act 1962

The following regulations under that Act are repealed:

Abrasive Blasting Regulations Boiler and Pressure Vessel Regulations Chaff-cutting Machines (Safety) Regulation 1980 Engine Drivers and Boiler Attendants Certification Regulations Explosive-powered Tool Regulations Factories (Health and Safety—Asbestos Processes) Regulation 1984 Factories (Health and Safety—Circular Saws)

Regulations 1943

Factories (Health and Safety—Dipping in Flammable Solutions) Regulation 1976

Factories (Health and Safety) Electroplating Regulation 1988

Factories (Health and Safety—Furnaces) Regulation 1983

Factories (Health and Safety) General Regulations 1913

Factories (Health and Safety—Hearing Conservation) Regulation 1979

Factories (Health and Safety—Spray Painting) Regulation 1977

Foundry Regulations

Lead Regulations

Local Government Industries (Machine Safety) Regulation

Locomotive Regulations

Rural Industries (Machine Safety) Regulations

Timber Industry (Health and Safety) Regulation 1982 Welding Regulations Schedule 3 Consequential amendment of other Acts

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(Section 5)

3.1 Dangerous Goods Act 1975 No 68

[1] Section 5 Savings and relationship to other laws

Omit ", the Construction Safety Act 1912" from section 5 (3).

[2] Section 41 Regulations

Insert after section 41 (1) (a):

(a1) regulating or prohibiting the use of explosives in connection with the carrying out of any construction or other work, including requiring any person using or in charge of explosives for that purpose to hold a permit under the regulations,

[3] Section 41 (2)

Omit ", the Construction Safety Act 1912".

3.2 Electricity (Pacific Power) Act 1950 No 22

Section 8E Application of certain provisions to subsidiary companies

Omit section 8E (2) (a).

Consequential amendment of other Acts

3.3 Electricity Transmission Authority Act 1994 No 64

Section 25 Application of certain provisions to subsidiary companies

Omit section 25 (2) (a).

3.4 Justices Act 1902 No 27

Section 145B Short description of certain offences

Insert ", or under any Act authorising the issue of a penalty notice for the offence concerned" after "the offence concerned" in section 145B (3).

3.5 Local Government Act 1993 No 30

[1] Section 68 What activities, generally, require the approval of the council?

Omit item 5 of Part F of the Table to section 68. Insert instead:

5 Install or operate amusement devices that are plant affecting public safety within the meaning of section 54A of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983.

[2] Dictionary

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Omit the definition of *amusement device* and the note to that definition.

Schedule 3 Consequential amendment of other Acts

3.6 Subordinate Legislation Act 1989 No 146

Section 10 Staged repeal of statutory rules

Omit section 10 (3).

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