

Conveyancers Licensing Amendment (Professional Indemnity Insurance) Act 2000 No 3

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Act No 3, 2000

An Act to amend the *Conveyancers Licensing Act 1995* to make further provision with respect to professional indemnity insurance for conveyancers; and for other purposes. [Assented to 1 May 2000]

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

1 Name of Act

This Act is the Conveyancers Licensing Amendment (Professional Indemnity Insurance) Act 2000.

2 Commencement

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

3 Amendment of Conveyancers Licensing Act 1995 No 57

The Conveyancers Licensing Act 1995 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Amendments Schedule 1

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Section 3)

[1] Section 8

Omit the section. Insert instead:

8 What constitutes approved policy of professional indemnity insurance

- (1) For the purposes of this Act, an *approved policy of professional indemnity insurance* means a policy, or a policy of a kind, that is approved by the Minister for the time being by order published in the Gazette.
- (2) An order under this section may provide that a policy is an approved policy if the policy complies with either or both of the following:
 - (a) the policy complies with the conditions set out in the order,
 - (b) the policy is described in the order by reference to the insurer and the number of the policy or is identified in the order by other specified particulars.
- (3) If an order under this section requires an approved policy to comply with conditions set out in the order a policy ceases to be an approved policy if it ceases to comply with those conditions.
- (4) An order under this section may:
 - (a) apply generally or be limited in its application by reference to specified exceptions or factors, or
 - (b) apply differently according to different factors of a specified kind.
- (5) An order under this section takes effect:
 - (a) on the day it is published in the Gazette, or

- (b) on a later date specified in the order.
- (6) An order under this section may contain provisions of a savings or transitional nature consequent on the making of the order.
- (7) If an order under this section takes effect during the term of a licence, any policy in force in respect of the licensee immediately before the order takes effect that is at that time an approved policy of professional indemnity insurance:
 - (a) is taken to continue to be an approved policy of professional indemnity insurance in relation to the licensee until the expiry of the term of the licence, and
 - (b) is subject to the same conditions to which it was subject immediately before the order took effect.
- (8) Subsection (7) is subject to any express provision to the contrary contained in the order.

[2] Section 12 Duration of licences

Omit section 12 (2) and (3).

[3] Schedule 2 Savings, transitional and other provisions

Omit "this Act." from clause 1 (1). Insert instead:

the following Acts:

this Act

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[4] Schedule 2, clause 1 (2)

Omit "commencement of this Act".

Insert instead "date of assent to the Act concerned".

Amendments Schedule 1

[5] Schedule 2, Part 3

Insert after Part 2:

Part 3 Provisions consequent on enactment of Conveyancers Licensing Amendment (Professional Indemnity Insurance) Act 2000

22 Validation of licences granted before commencement of amending Act

- (1) The fact that a policy of professional indemnity insurance in force in respect of a licensee or former licensee during the term or any part of the term of the licence or former licence was not an approved policy of professional indemnity insurance:
 - (a) is taken not to have invalidated the grant of the licence or former licence, and
 - (b) is taken not to have resulted in the licence or former licence being of no effect during that term or part of that term.
- (2) This clause applies only to a term or part of a term occurring before the commencement of this clause.

[6] Dictionary

Omit the definition of approved policy of professional indemnity insurance.

Insert instead:

approved policy of professional indemnity insurance has the meaning given to it by section 8 (1).

[Minister's second reading speech made in— Legislative Assembly on 5 April 2000 Legislative Council on 13 April 2000]

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