



New South Wales

**OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY AMENDMENT ACT  
1997 No 51—PROCLAMATION**

(L.S.) GORDON SAMUELS, Governor.

I, the Honourable Gordon Samuels, Governor of the State of New South Wales, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in pursuance of section 2 of the *Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997*, do, by this my Proclamation, appoint 1 November 1997 as the day on which sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and Schedule 1 [3], 1 [8], 1 [9], 1 [11], 1 [15] and Schedule 3.1 [2] and 3.4 commence.

Signed and sealed at Sydney, this 15th day of October 1997.

By His Excellency's Command,

JEFFREY SHAW, Q.C., M.L.C.,

Minister for Industrial Relations

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The object of this Proclamation is to commence certain provisions of the *Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act 1997* that deal with the following:

- (a) obligations imposed on the designers, manufacturers and suppliers of any plant or substance for use at work,
- (b) power to make regulations under the principal Act regarding identification of hazards arising from work and assessment of risks to health and safety associated with such hazards,
- (c) the description of occupational health and safety qualifications required by the regulations.
- (d) the ability to charge, as a single offence, more than one contravention of the principal duties of employers and others under Part 3 of the principal Act if the contraventions arose out of the same factual circumstances,
- (e) miscellaneous savings and transitional provisions,
- (f) consequential amendments to various Acts.