

## CORONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT.

### Act No. 15, 1963.

An Act to make further provision with respect to Elizabeth II,  
No. 15, 1963 inquests into deaths following the administration of anaesthetics; for this and other purposes to amend the Coroners Act, 1960, and the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1899, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 3rd April, 1963.]

**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:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Coroners (Amendment) Act, 1963". Short title and citation.

(2) The Coroners Act, 1960, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Coroners Act, 1960-1963.

(3) The Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1899, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act, 1899-1963.

2. The Coroners Act, 1960, is amended—

Amendment of Act No. 2, 1960.

(a) by inserting in paragraph (a) of subsection one of section ten after the word "illness" the words "absence from such place"; Sec. 10. (Jurisdiction, powers and duties of deputy coroners.)

(b) (i) by omitting from paragraph (f) of subsection one of section eleven the words "the administration" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "inquests into deaths"; Sec. 11. (Inquests into deaths.)

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thereof the words “, or within a period of twenty-four hours after, the administration to him”;

- (ii) by inserting in subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (b) of subsection two of the same section after the word “under” the words “or within a period of twenty-four hours after the administration to him of”;
- (iii) by inserting in the same paragraph after the word “administration” the words “to him”;
- (iv) by inserting in paragraph (c) of subsection two of the same section after the word “under” the words “or within a period of twenty-four hours after the administration to him of”;
- (v) by inserting in the same paragraph after the word “administration” the words “to him”;

Sec. 13.  
(Cases where coroner is not bound to hold an inquest or inquiry.)

- (c) (i) by inserting in paragraph (a) of section thirteen after the word “illness” the words “, absence from the place where he holds office or ordinarily acts as coroner”;
- (ii) by inserting at the end of paragraph (b) of the same section the following word and new paragraph :—

or

- (c) in the case of an inquest, he is satisfied that the cause of death arose at some other place than that at which he holds office or ordinarily acts as coroner and that on the ground of public convenience the inquest should be held by the coroner at that other place,

Sec. 19.  
(Depositions to be taken.)

- (d) (i) by omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection three of section nineteen the words “transmit the depositions of the witnesses to the Under Secretary, Department of the Attorney General and of Justice” and by inserting in lieu thereof the words “cause the depositions of the witnesses to be filed in the office of the clerk of petty sessions where or nearest to

to the place where the inquest, inquiry or magisterial inquiry was held or in such other office of a clerk of petty sessions as the Minister in writing may direct";

- (ii) by omitting from subparagraph (i) of paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "said Under Secretary" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "clerk of petty sessions in whose office the depositions are filed";
- (iii) by omitting from the same paragraph the words "Under Secretary" where secondly occurring and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "clerk of petty sessions";
- (iv) by omitting from the same paragraph the words ", if it has been transmitted to and received by him";
- (v) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection :—

(4) In relation to any such depositions transmitted to the Under Secretary, Department of the Attorney General and of Justice, before the commencement of the Coroners (Amendment) Act, 1963, and received by him, paragraph (b) of subsection three of this section shall be read and construed as if a reference to the clerk of petty sessions in whose office the depositions are filed were a reference to the said Under Secretary.

**3. The Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1899,** as amended by subsequent Acts, is amended by omitting from paragraph (v) of subsection three of section 27A the words "the administration" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words ", or within a period of twenty-four hours after, the administration to him".

Amendment  
of Act No.  
17, 1899.  
Sec. 27A.  
(Issue of  
medical  
certificates  
of cause of  
death.)