### DEFAMATION (TROTTING AUTHORITY) AMENDMENT ACT, 1978, No. 125

# New South Wales



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### Act No. 125, 1978.

An Act to amend the Defamation Act, 1974, to provide, in civil proceedings for defamation, defences in respect of appeals under the Trotting Authority Act, 1977. [Assented to, 21st December, 1978.]

Defamation (Trotting Authority) Amendment.

**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. This Act may be cited as the "Defamation (Trotting Short title. Authority) Amendment Act, 1978".

2. The Defamation Act, 1974, is amended— Amendment of Act No. 18, 1974.

(a) by inserting after section 17D the following section :-- Sec. 17E.

17E. There is a defence of absolute privilege under Trotting Authorit

- (a) for a publication in the course of an appeal Act, 1977. under Part V of the Trotting Authority Act, 1977; and
- (b) for a publication by the Trotting Authority of New South Wales or the Trotting Appeals Tribunal in an official report of its decision in respect of any such appeal and of the reasons for that decision.
- (b) (i) by omitting from clause 2 (11) of Schedule 2 the Schedule 2. word "or";
  - (ii) by omitting from clause 2 (12) of Schedule 2 the matter "1977." and by inserting instead the following matter and subclause :---

1977; or

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 (13) without limiting the operation of any other subclause, proceedings on an appeal to the Trotting Authority of New South Wales or to the Trotting Appeals Tribunal under Part V of the Trotting Authority Act, 1977.