DEFAMATION (LEGAL SERVICES COMMISSION) AMENDMENT ACT, 1979, No. 80

New South Wales



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Act No. 80, 1979.

An Act to provide a defence of absolute privilege to proceedings for defamation brought in respect of the publication of certain matters arising under the Legal Services Commission Act, 1979. [Assented to, 16th May, 1979.]

Defamation (Legal Services Commission) 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 (Legal Services Short title. Commission) Amendment Act, 1979".
- 2. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), this Act shall Commencecommence on the date of assent to this Act.
- (2) Section 3 shall commence on the day appointed and notified under section 2 (2) of the Legal Services Commission Act, 1979.
- 3. The Defamation Act, 1974, is amended by inserting after Amendment section 17E the following section:— 18, 1974. Sec. 17F.

17F. There is a defence of absolute privilege for a publica- Matters tion to or by the Legal Services Commission of New South under Legal Wales constituted under the Legal Services Commission Act, Services Commission 1979, an officer of that Commission or a committee Act, 1979. established under that Act if the publication is made for the purpose of the execution or administration of that Act.