[Act 1995 No 14]



Queanbeyan Showground (Variation of Purposes) Bill 1995

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are to extend the kinds of uses which may be carried out on the land known as the Queanbeyan Showground and to simplify the way in which that land is held and managed.

Currently, part of that land is dedicated and the rest is reserved under the *Crown Lands Act 1989* for the purposes of a showground. The proposed Act will revest the land in the Crown and dedicate the whole of the land for use as a public showground, for public recreational use and for use for community purposes.

The proposed Act will also establish a reserve trust for the land and appoint Queanbeyan City Council to manage the affairs of the trust.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act.

Clause 3 defines some of the terms used in the proposed Act (*the Reserve* means all of the land known as the Queanbeyan Showground).

Clause 4 revests the Reserve in the Crown free from any previously applicable trusts and estates or other interests which existed before the commencement of the proposed Act. The Reserve is declared to have been dedicated under the *Crown Lands Act 1989* for use as described above. Any licence that applied to the Reserve immediately before it is vested in the Crown will continue in force.

Clause 5 establishes a reserve trust called "Queanbeyan Showground Reserve Trust" for the Reserve. Queanbeyan City Council is declared to have been appointed to manage the affairs of the new trust.

Clause 6 requires a draft plan of management to be prepared for the Reserve within 3 months of the commencement of the proposed Act. A plan of management is not to allow use of the Reserve in any way which interferes with its use as a showground, unless The Queanbeyan Show Society Inc. consents.

Clause 7 dissolves the former reserve trust.

Clause 8 applies the savings and transitional provisions in section 53 of the *Interpretation Act 1987* which provide for the new trust to be a continuation of, and the same legal entity as, the former reserve trust and which have the effect of making all assets, liabilities, claims and demands of or against the former reserve trust those of or against the new trust.

Schedule 1 describes the former dedicated land and the former reserved land which together comprise the Reserve.