



New South Wales

Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Amendment Bill 2003

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Act 2000* as follows:

- (a) to increase (from 9 to 11) the maximum number of commissioners that may constitute the Community Relations Commission of New South Wales,
- (b) to provide that, of the commissioners, 2 are to be persons who are appointed as representatives of youth from New South Wales and who are not less than 18, and not more than 24, years of age at the time of their appointment,
- (c) to clarify that the function of the Commission to provide interpreter or other services approved by the Minister for Citizenship extends to the Commission's provision of such services outside New South Wales.

The Bill also makes amendments by way of statute law revision.

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 on the date of assent.

Clause 3 is a formal provision that gives effect to the amendments to the *Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Act 2000* (the *Principal Act*) set out in Schedules 1 and 2.

Schedule 1 Principal amendments

Schedule 1 [1] amends section 7 of the Principal Act to increase (from 9 to 11) the maximum number of commissioners that may constitute the Community Relations Commission of New South Wales.

Schedule 1 [2] inserts section 7 (1A) which provides for the appointment of 2 persons to the Commission as representatives of youth from New South Wales. These commissioners are to be not less than 18, and not more than 24, years of age at the time of their appointment.

Schedule 1 [3] amends section 13 (i) of the Principal Act to clarify that the Commission's function of providing interpreter or other services approved by the Minister for Citizenship extends to the Commission's provision of such services outside New South Wales. (For example, the proposed amendment clarifies that the Commission will be able to provide its Community Media Review Service to the Commonwealth and State Governments and other customers outside New South Wales.)

Schedule 1 [4] allows regulations of a savings or transitional nature to be made as a consequence of the enactment of the proposed Act.

Schedule 2 Amendments by way of statute law revision

Schedule 2 [1]–[3] update references to an Act.



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No. , 2003

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Act 2000* with respect to membership of the Community Relations Commission of New South Wales and the power of the Commission to provide services; and for other purposes.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:	1
1 Name of Act	2
This Act is the <i>Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Amendment Act 2003</i> .	3 4
2 Commencement	5
This Act commences on the date of assent.	6
3 Amendment of Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Act 2000 No 77	7 8
The <i>Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Act 2000</i> is amended as set out in Schedules 1 and 2.	9 10 11

Schedule 1 Principal amendments

(Section 3)

[1] Section 7 Membership and procedure of Commission

Omit “9” from section 7 (1). Insert instead “11”.

[2] Section 7 (1A)

Insert after section 7 (1):

(1A) Of the part-time commissioners, 2 are to be persons who are appointed as representatives of youth from New South Wales and who are not less than 18 years of age and not more than 24 years of age at the time of their appointment.

[3] Section 13 Functions of Commission

Insert “(whether within or outside New South Wales)” after “provide” in section 13 (i).

[4] Schedule 4 Savings, transitional and other provisions

Insert at the end of clause 2 (1):

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Multiculturalism Amendment Act 2003*

Schedule 2 Amendments by way of statute law revision	1
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	(Section 3)
[1] Sections 8 (1) and 9 (1), Schedule 1, clause 2 (3) and note and clause 11 (1)	4
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Omit “Part 2 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1988</i> ” wherever occurring.	6
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Insert instead “Chapter 2 of the <i>Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002</i> ”.	8
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[2] Schedule 1 Provisions relating to commissioners	10
Omit “ <i>Public Sector Management Act 1988</i> ” from the note to clause 2 (2).	11
Insert instead “ <i>Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002</i> ”.	12
[3] Schedule 1, clause 8 (1) (d)	13
Omit “Part 8 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1988</i> ”.	14
Insert instead “Chapter 5 of the <i>Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002</i> ”.	15
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