

**UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY (AMENDMENT) BILL
1989**

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

This Bill is cognate with the University of Sydney Bill 1989.

The object of this Bill is to amend the University of Western Sydney Act 1988 so as:

- (a) to provide for the transfer to the University of Western Sydney, as a network member, of the Macarthur Institute of Higher Education;
- (b) to vary the constitution of the Board of Governors of the University by allowing for the election of additional members to the Board;
- (c) to make minor amendments that will bring the provisions of the Act in line with those of other Acts under which universities are established; and
- (d) to make other minor, consequential and ancillary amendments.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides that the proposed Act commences on the date of assent.

Clause 3 is a formal provision that gives effect to the Schedule of amendments.

Clause 4 repeals the University of Western Sydney Regulation 1989 and the University of Western Sydney (Transitional) Regulation 1989 as a consequence of the amendment to be effected by the proposed Act.

SCHEDULE 1 - AMENDMENTS

Macarthur Institute of Higher Education

The transfer of the Macarthur Institute of Higher Education to the University of Western Sydney is effected by Schedule 1 (2) (which ensures that the Institute will become a network member of the University) and Schedule 1 (11) (which brings about the dissolution of the Institute and the transfer of its assets, staff and students to the University).

Constitution of the Board of Governors

The constitution of the Board of Governors is to be varied by Schedule 1 (4) (c) which will bring about the gain of an additional elected academic staff member and an elected non-academic staff member.

Other amendments

The other amendments will result in:

- (a) an extension of the Board's general powers (Schedule 1 (5));
 - (b) an extension of the Board's power to delegate its functions under the Act (Schedule 1 (6));
 - (c) an extension of the Board's power to deal with land that is controlled by it but that is vested in the Crown or a Minister of the Crown (Schedule 1 (8));
 - (d) the enabling of the constitution and procedure of the Academic Board to be regulated by the by-laws (Schedule 1 (9) (a)); and
 - (e) the enactment of savings and transitional provisions consequent on the enactment of the proposed Act.
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