

[Act 1998 No 30]



New South Wales

Public Authorities (Financial Arrangements) Amendment Bill 1998

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 *Public Authorities (Financial Arrangements) Act 1987* to enable the Treasurer to give “succession guarantees” in relation to the performance of specified obligations of public authorities under financial arrangements or transactions authorised under that Act.

The effect of such a guarantee is to make such obligations binding on the successor to the authority or, if the authority ceases to exist or ceases to be responsible for the exercise of functions constituting, or relevant to, the performance of those obligations, the Government. The proposed amendment also provides for the circumstances in which the guarantee ceases to operate.

* Amended in committee—see table at end of volume.

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 by proclamation.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendment to the *Public Authorities (Financial Arrangements) Act 1987* as set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 amends the *Public Authorities (Financial Arrangements) Act 1987* as described in the above overview.