

New South Wales

Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Bill 2003

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are as follows:

- (a) to allow tissue lawfully removed from the body of a living person for the purposes of medical, dental or surgical treatment to be used for other therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes only with the consent of the person from whom the tissue was removed or, if the person has died, a senior available next of kin,
- (b) to allow tissue to be removed from the body of a deceased person and used for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes only with the written consent of the deceased person (given during his or her lifetime) or the consent of a senior available next of kin (so that a lack of objection by those persons will no longer be sufficient to authorise the procedure),

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- (c) to allow a post-mortem examination of a deceased person to be conducted, in non-coronial cases, only with the written consent of the deceased person (given during his or her lifetime) or a senior available next of kin (so that a lack of objection by those persons will no longer be sufficient to authorise the procedure),
- (d) to allow tissue removed from the body of a deceased person for the purposes of a post-mortem examination to be used for other therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes only with the written consent of the deceased person (given during his or her lifetime) or a senior available next of kin.
- (e) to make further provision with respect to the prohibition against entering into certain contracts or arrangements relating to the sale or supply of human tissue,
- (f) to make it clear that anatomical examination includes any use of any human body for scientific or medical purposes, or educational purposes connected with medicine or science, and to require any such anatomical examination to be conducted only by a licence holder under the *Anatomy Act 1977*,
- (g) to allow the anatomical examination of the body of a deceased person to be conducted only with the written consent of the person (given during his or her lifetime) or of a senior available next of kin (so that a lack of objection by those persons will no longer be sufficient to authorise the procedure),
- (h) to make it an offence to conduct an anatomical examination of a human body except with the appropriate authority under the *Anatomy Act 1977*,
- (i) to prohibit a person consenting to or authorising the removal of tissue from the body of a deceased child who was in the care of the State, or the postmortem examination or anatomical examination of such a deceased child,
- (j) to require regard to be had to the dignity of a deceased person in the conduct of all post-mortem examinations and anatomical examinations,
- (k) to make further provision with respect to transfer and disposal of bodies that are retained for anatomical examination,
- (l) to authorise the retention or use of human tissue removed from the body of a deceased person, without explicit authority from the deceased person or a next of kin, in certain specific circumstances (such as where a small sample of tissue is retained in the form of a tissue block or tissue slide),
- (m) to confer more substantial enforcement powers in connection with the provisions of the *Human Tissue Act 1983*,
- (n) to confer additional regulation-making powers under the *Human Tissue Act 1983* and the *Anatomy Act 1977*,

(o) to make other miscellaneous and consequential amendments and amendments of an ancillary nature.

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 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Anatomy Act 1977* set out in Schedule 1.

Clause 4 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Human Tissue Act 1983* set out in Schedule 2.

Clause 5 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the Acts referred to in Schedule 3.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Anatomy Act 1977

Meaning of "anatomical examination"—extension of activities for which a licence is required

The amendments make it clear that the expression *anatomical examination* of a dead human body extends to the use of a body for medical or scientific purposes, including carrying out any procedure on the body, or subjecting the body to any experiment, process or research for medical or scientific purposes (or educational purposes associated with medicine or science). Accordingly, anyone who proposes to use dead human bodies for such purposes will require a licence under the *Anatomy Act 1977*. See **Schedule 1** [1], [2], [5]–[8], [12], [16], [17] and [24]. **Schedule 1** [23] includes a savings provision.

An anatomical examination will not include a post mortem examination that is required or directed by a competent legal authority or authorised under the *Human Tissue Act 1983*. A licence will not be required in order to conduct such an examination. See **Schedule 1** [4].

Authority to conduct anatomical examination

At present, a designated officer for a hospital may authorise the anatomical examination of the body of a deceased person if it appears that the deceased person had (during his or her lifetime) consented to that action or it appears that the deceased person had not (during his or her lifetime) expressed an objection to that action and a senior available next of kin has not objected to that action.

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Under the amendments, a designated officer will be permitted to give such an authority only if the deceased person (during his or her lifetime), or a senior available next of kin, consents in writing to the anatomical examination.

The amendments will also allow a designated officer for a forensic institution to give such an authority in the same circumstances.

Any anatomical examination must be conducted in accordance with the relevant authority.

See Schedule 1 [9]–[11]. Schedule 1 [1] includes consequential amendments.

Conduct of anatomical examinations

The offences in the Act are revised so as to make it clear that:

- (a) anatomical examinations must be conducted at licensed premises, and
- (b) anatomical examinations must be conducted by licence holders or persons authorised by licensed holders, and
- (c) anatomical examinations must be conducted in accordance with an authority that, under the Act, is sufficient to authorise the conduct of the anatomical examination.

Anything authorised by or under the *Coroners Act 1980*, the *Human Tissue Act 1983* or any other law is excluded from the above offences. See **Schedule 1** [17] and [18].

In addition, it will be an offence to give an authority under the Act without having made the inquiries that the person is required by the Act to have made. See **Schedule 1** [17].

The amendments also make it clear that anatomical examinations are to be conducted having regard to the dignity of the deceased person. See **Schedule 1** [20].

Transfer of human tissue

The amendments allow a licence holder to transfer human tissue (that is, an organ or other part of a dead human body) to another licence holder, an authorised officer for a hospital or interstate hospital or any other person approved by the Director-General of the Department of Health. Details of the transfer must be registered, and arrangements must be made for the return and disposal of the human tissue. See **Schedule 1** [13].

Disposal of bodies

At present, the *Anatomy Act 1977* requires a body of a deceased person that is retained for anatomical examination to be disposed of within 4 years after the death of the person. However, an inspector may authorise the retention of a body for a longer period.

The amendments will limit the discretion of an inspector to grant such an authorisation. In particular, an inspector will not be able to authorise the retention of a human body, or a part of the body, for more than 8 years after the death of the person.

The amendments also extend the disposal requirements to any human tissue that is removed from the body, unless an authority has been given for the permanent retention of the tissue. Small samples of tissue retained in the form of tissue blocks or tissue slides are excluded from the disposal requirements.

See Schedule 1 [14] and [15]. Schedule 1 [23] includes a transitional provision.

Children in the care of the State

It will be an offence for a person to authorise the anatomical examination of a child who was, immediately before his or her death, in the care of the State. See **Schedule 1** [19].

Regulation-making powers

The amendments provide for more extensive regulation-making powers. Regulations may be made with respect to the standards to be complied with in connection with any actions that are authorised under the Act. See **Schedule 1** [21].

Schedule 1 [22] and [23] allow savings and transitional regulations to be made.

Miscellaneous

Schedule 1 [3] provides that notes in the Act do not form part of the Act. It also allows a next of kin to delegate his or her functions under the Act to another person. A consequential amendment in **Schedule 1** [1] makes it clear that a function includes an authority or duty.

Schedule 2 Amendment of Human Tissue Act 1983

Authority to use tissue removed from living person during medical, dental or surgical treatment

The amendments will regulate the use of tissue lawfully removed from the body of a living person during medical, dental or surgical treatment performed in the interests of the health of the person. This includes tissue expelled from the body in the course of such treatment (for example, blood).

As a result of the amendments, the use of such tissue for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes (other than the purposes of the treatment itself) will be permitted only if the patient or, if the patient has died, a senior available next of kin, has given his or her consent in writing to the use of the tissue for that purpose. In cases where the patient is a child or is under guardianship, an authority to use the tissue may be given by the senior available next of kin or guardian of the patient.

All tissue must be used in accordance with the relevant consent.

See Schedule 2 [12], [23], [24] and [27]. Schedule 2 [2], [4]–[6] and [15] are consequential amendments.

Authority to remove and use of tissue from body of deceased person

At present, a designated officer for a hospital may authorise the removal of tissue from the body of a deceased person, and its use for transplantation or for other therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, if it appears that the deceased person had (during his or her lifetime) consented to that action or it appears that the deceased person had not (during his or her lifetime) expressed an objection to that action and a senior available next of kin has not objected to that action.

Under the amendments, a designated officer will be permitted to give such an authority only if:

- (a) the deceased person (during his or her lifetime) consents in writing to the removal and use of the tissue, or
- (b) a senior available next of kin consents in writing or in another manner prescribed by the regulations to the removal and use of the tissue.

See Schedule 2 [13].

Authority to conduct post-mortem examination

At present, a designated officer for a hospital may authorise a post-mortem examination of the body of a deceased person if it appears that the deceased person had (during his or her lifetime) consented to a post-mortem examination or it appears that the deceased person had not (during his or her lifetime) expressed an objection to a post-mortem examination and a senior available next of kin has not objected to the post-mortem examination.

Under the amendments, a designated officer will be permitted to give such an authority only if the deceased person (during his or her lifetime), or a senior available next of kin, consents in writing to the post-mortem examination.

The amendments do not affect the power of a coroner to order a post-mortem examination.

See Schedule 2 [16]. Schedule 2 [15] is a consequential amendment.

Authority to use tissue removed during post-mortem examination

At present, the *Human Tissue Act 1983* provides that tissue removed from the body of a deceased person for the purposes of a post-mortem examination may be used for any therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes.

The amendments provide that tissue may be used for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes only with the consent in writing of the deceased person (given during his or her lifetime) or a senior available next of kin.

All tissue must be used in accordance with the relevant consent.

See Schedule 2 [18], [19] (proposed Division 2 of Part 5) and [28]. Schedule 2 [1], [2], [3], [8], [14] and [17] include consequential amendments.

Persons who may give authority

The amendments allow a designated officer for a forensic institution (an institution at which post-mortem examinations are carried out) to give authorities under the Act in appropriate circumstances. See **Schedule 2** [1], [2], [3], [8], [16] and [19].

Prohibited trading in tissue

The amendments extend the prohibition against entering into a contract or arrangement for the sale or supply of human tissue to the act of offering to enter into such a contract or arrangement. See **Schedule 2** [20].

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The amendments also exclude from that prohibition tissue that has been subjected to processing or treatment, whether or not the tissue is to be used in accordance with the directions of a medical practitioner. This makes it clear that, for example, diagnostic kits used by scientists are not subject to the prohibition against sale. See **Schedule 2** [21].

Exceptions/exclusions

The amendments make clear that the following things are permitted (without authority under the Act):

- (a) the use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of small samples of tissue lawfully removed from the body of a person and retained in the form of a tissue slide or tissue block,
- (b) the retention of tissue lawfully removed from the body of a person in circumstances prescribed by the regulations, for such period as the regulations authorise, for the purpose of obtaining an authority under the Act to use the tissue for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes,
- (c) anything authorised by or under the *Coroners Act 1980*, the *Anatomy Act 1977* or any other law.

See Schedule 2 [25] and [29].

Conduct of post-mortem examinations

The amendments make it clear that post-mortem examinations are to be conducted having regard to the dignity of the deceased person. See **Schedule 2** [19] (proposed Division 3 of Part 5).

Enforcement powers

The amendments allow the Director-General of the Department of Health to appoint inspectors for the purposes of enforcing the Act and the regulations. At present, inspectors are appointed under Part 3B of the Act and have powers only in relation to the enforcement of that Part. Inspectors appointed under the new provisions will have enforcement powers in relation to the whole Act. These include the powers currently exercised by inspectors under Part 3B (such as powers of entry and inspection, and powers of seizure) and some new enforcement powers (such as power to require information to be provided or to obtain a search warrant). See **Schedule 2** [22].

Schedule 2 [2], [10] and [11] include consequential amendments. Schedule 2 [32] includes a transitional provision.

Schedule 3.2 is a consequential amendment to the *Search Warrants Act 1985*.

Children in care of the State

It will be an offence in certain circumstances for a person to consent to or authorise the removal of tissue from the body of a deceased child who was in the care of the State, or the post-mortem examination or use of tissue removed during a post-mortem examination of a deceased child who was in the care of the State. See **Schedule 2** [26].

Regulation-making powers

The amendments provide for more extensive regulation-making powers. Regulations may be made with respect to the making and keeping of records, the provision of information and the standards to be complied with, in connection with any actions that are authorised under the Act. See **Schedule 2** [30] and [31].

Schedule 2 [32] allows savings and transitional regulations to be made.

Miscellaneous

Schedule 2 [6] makes it clear that the medical or scientific purposes authorised under the Act include educational purposes associated with medicine or science.

Schedule 2 [9] allows a next of kin to delegate his or her functions under the Act to another person. A consequential amendment in **Schedule 2 [2]** makes it clear that a function includes a power, authority or duty.

Schedule 2 [7] provides that notes in the Act do not form part of the Act.

Schedule 3 Amendment of other Acts

Retention and use of human tissue

The amendments confirm the authority of investigating police and others to remove and use tissue from the body of a deceased person for the purposes of a coroner's investigation, an investigation of an offence or proceedings for an offence, but only where a coroner has ordered a post-mortem examination or other examination or test.

Any such order will also be taken to authorise the retention of small samples of certain tissue and its use in connection with legal and other proceedings. Accordingly, an authority will not be required in respect of that use under the *Human Tissue Act 1983*.

See **Schedule 3.1** [3].

Ordering and conduct of post-mortem examination

The amendments make it clear that a post-mortem examination or other order or test with respect to a deceased person may be ordered by a coroner in order to assist in the investigation of any of the following matters:

- (a) the identity of the deceased person,
- (b) the date and place of death of the deceased person,
- (c) the manner or cause of death of the deceased person.

A senior next of kin will be able to delegate to another person his or her right to object to the post-mortem examination.

The amendments also require all post-mortem examinations or other examinations or tests performed under the *Coroners Act 1980* to be conducted having regard to the dignity of the deceased person.

See Schedule 3.1 [1], [2] and [4].

Search warrants

Schedule 3.4 is a consequential amendment to **Schedule 2 [22]**. It applies the provisions of the *Search Warrants Act 1985* to search warrants obtained under the *Human Tissue Act 1983*.

The Search Warrants Act 1985 is to be repealed by the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002. Schedule 3.2 and 3.3 contain provisions that are consequential on that repeal.



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A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Anatomy Act 1977*, the *Human Tissue Act 1983* and other Acts to make further provision with respect to the removal, retention and use of human tissue, post-mortem examinations and anatomical examinations; and for other purposes.

Гhе	e Legislature of New South Wales enacts:	1
1	Name of Act	2
	This Act is the <i>Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendmen Act 2003</i> .	<i>nt</i> 3
2	Commencement	5
	(1) This Act commences on a day or days to be appointed by proclamation, except as provided by subsection (2).	y 6 7
	(2) Schedule 3.2 and 3.3 commence on the commencement of Division 4 of Part 5 of the Law Enforcement (Powers an Responsibilities) Act 2002.	
3	Amendment of Anatomy Act 1977 No 126	11
	The Anatomy Act 1977 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.	12
4	Amendment of Human Tissue Act 1983 No 164	13
	The Human Tissue Act 1983 is amended as set out in Schedule 2.	14
5	Amendment of other Acts	15
	The Acts specified in Schedule 3 are amended as set out in the Schedule.	at 16

Sch	edule 1	Am	endment of Anatomy Act 1977 (Section 3)	1 2
[1]	Section 4	Defin	iitions	3
			tions of <i>anatomy</i> , <i>designated officer</i> and <i>school of</i> ection 4 (1).	4 5
	Insert in al	tical order:	6	
		for n Note morte	nedical examination of a body includes use of the body nedical or scientific purposes. However, an anatomical examination does not include a post em examination that is required, directed or authorised as provided action 5.	7 8 9 10 11
		,	gnated officer means:	12
		(a)	in relation to a hospital, a person appointed for the time being under section 5 (1) (a) of the <i>Human Tissue Act</i> 1983 to be a designated officer for the hospital, or	13 14 15
		(b)	in relation to a forensic institution, a person appointed for the time being under section 5 (3) of the <i>Human Tissue Act 1983</i> to be a designated officer for the forensic institution.	16 17 18 19
		exer	cise a function includes perform a duty.	20
		fore	nsic institution means:	21
		(a)	an institution that is under the control of a public health organisation (within the meaning of the <i>Health Services Act 1997</i>), or	22 23 24
		(b)	an accredited pathology laboratory under the <i>Health Insurance Act 1973</i> of the Commonwealth,	25 26
			hich post mortem examinations of bodies are carried out, loes not include a hospital.	27 28
		func	tion includes a power, authority or duty.	29
		hum	an tissue means an organ or other part of a body.	30
		whic	the holder of the licence may conduct anatomical minations.	31 32 33

[2]	Sec	tion 4	(3) and (4)	1	
	Insert after section 4 (2):				
		(3)	In this Act, a reference to the use of a body for medical or scientific purposes includes carrying out any procedure on the body, or subjecting the body to an experiment, process or research, for medical or scientific purposes.	3 4 5 6	
		(4)	In this Act, a reference to medical or scientific purposes includes educational purposes connected with medicine or science.	7 8 9	
[3]	Sec	tions	4A and 4B	10	
	Insert after section 4:				
	4A	Note	es	12	
			Notes included in this Act do not form part of this Act.	13	
	4B	Dele	egation of functions of next of kin	14	
		(1)	A next of kin of a deceased person may from time to time, by instrument in writing, authorise a person to exercise his or her functions under this Act as a next of kin of the deceased person.	15 16 17 18	
		(2)	In such a case, the person so authorised:	19	
			(a) may exercise the functions of a next of kin of the deceased person under this Act (other than the function conferred by subsection (1)), in the place of the person who authorised him or her, and	20 21 22 23	
			(b) is taken, for the purposes of this Act, to be a next of kin of the deceased person, and	24 25	
			(c) for the purposes of the definition of <i>senior available next of kin</i> in section 4 (1), is taken to be a next of kin of the same order as the person who authorised him or her to exercise the functions of a next of kin	26 27 28 29	

[4]	Section 5	1
	Omit the section. Insert instead:	2
	5 Anatomical examination does not include post mortem examination	3
	In this Act, a reference to an anatomical examination, or to the possession of a body for the purposes of an anatomical examination, does not include a post mortem examination, or the possession of a body for the purposes of a post mortem examination, if that post mortem examination is:	5 7 8
	(a) required or directed to be made by a competent legal authority, or	10 11
	(b) made or to be made pursuant to an authority under Part 5 of the <i>Human Tissue Act 1983</i> .	12 13
	Note. Accordingly, a licence under this Act is not required to conduct such a post mortem examination.	14 15
[5]	Part 2, heading	16
	Omit the heading. Insert instead:	17
	Part 2 Regulation of anatomical examinations	18
[6]	Section 6 Director-General may issue licence to person to conduct anatomical examinations	19 20
	Omit "conduct the study and practice of anatomy" from section 6 (1).	21
	Insert instead "conduct anatomical examinations".	22
[7]	Section 6 (2)	23
	Omit "the study and practice of anatomy".	24
	Insert instead "the conduct of anatomical examinations".	25
[8]	Section 7 Inspectors	26
	Omit "any school of anatomy" from section 7 (2).	27
	Insert instead "any licensed premises".	28

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[9]	Sec	tions	8 and 8A	1
	Omi	t the s	ections. Insert instead:	2
	8		nority for anatomical examination where body of deceased hospital or forensic institution	3
		(1)	If a designated officer for a hospital or forensic institution is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to a person whose body is at the hospital or forensic institution, that:	5 6 7 8
			(a) the person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the anatomical examination of the person's body after the person's death, and	9 10 11
			(b) the consent had not been revoked,	12
			the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the anatomical examination of that person's body.	13 14
		(2)	An authority under subsection (1) is not to be given in relation to a deceased child.	15 16
		(3)	If the designated officer is not satisfied as to the matters referred to in subsection (1), or the deceased person is a deceased child, and the designated officer is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to the deceased person, that:	17 18 19 20 21
			(a) the deceased person had not, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the anatomical examination of the person's body after the person's death, and	22 23 24 25
			(b) a senior available next of kin has given his or her consent in writing to the anatomical examination of the person's body, and	26 27 28
			(c) there is no next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of <i>senior available next of kin</i> in section 4 (1) who objects to the anatomical examination of the person's body,	29 30 31 32
			the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the anatomical examination of the person's body.	33 34
		(4)	An authority must be given in accordance with the terms and	35

any conditions of the relevant consent (that is, the consent

referred to in subsection (1) (a) or (3) (b)).

[10]

8A	Authority for anatomical examination where body of deceased not at a hospital or forensic institution				
	(1)	If the body of a deceased person (other than a deceased child) is at a place other than a hospital or forensic institution, the anatomical examination of that person's body is authorised if:	3 4 5		
		(a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the anatomical examination of the person's body after the person's death, and	6 7 8 9		
		(b) the consent had not been revoked.	10		
(3) If		The authority conferred by subsection (1) is subject to the terms and any conditions of the consent referred to in that subsection.	11 12 13		
		If the body of a deceased person is at a place other than a hospital or forensic institution, a senior available next of kin of the person may, by instrument in writing, authorise the anatomical examination of the person's body.			
	(4)	A senior available next of kin must not grant an authority under subsection (3) if it appears to the senior available next of kin, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, that:	18 19 20 21		
		(a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the anatomical examination of the person's body after the person's death, or	22 23 24		
		(b) another next of kin of the same or higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of <i>senior</i> available next of kin in section 4 (1) objects to the anatomical examination of the person's body.	25 26 27 28		
		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.	29		
Sect	Section 8B Consent by coroner				

Insert "or a forensic institution" after "hospital" in section 8B (2).

[11]	Sect	ion 8	C Effe	ect of authority	1
	Omi	t secti	on 8C	(1). Insert instead:	2
		(1)	An a	authority under section 8 or 8A is sufficient authority:	3
			(a)	for a person who has lawful possession of a body to	4
				cause or permit the body to be used by a holder of a licence for anatomical examination in accordance with	5 6
				the authority, and	7
			(b)	for the holder of a licence, or a person authorised by the	8
				holder of a licence, to conduct an anatomical	9
				examination of the body, at licensed premises, in	10 11
				accordance with the authority, subject to the terms or conditions of the licence.	12
[12]	Sect	ion 1	1 Trar	nsfer of bodies	13
				n who is in charge of the study and practice of anatomy at e New South Wales" from section 11 (1) (b).	14 15
				ny person who is in charge of the conduct of anatomical any place outside New South Wales".	16 17
[13]	Sect	ion 1	1A		18
	Insert after section 11:			19	
	11A	Trar	sfer c	of human tissue	20
		(1)	The	holder of a licence may transfer human tissue from a	21
		(1)	body	that is in the holder's possession for anatomical	22
			exan	nination:	23
			(a)	to another holder of a licence, or	24
			(b)	to an authorised officer of a hospital, or	25
			(c)	to an authorised officer of an interstate hospital, or	26
			(d)	to any other person approved in writing by the Director-	27
			, ,	General, subject to such conditions as may be imposed by the Director-General,	28 29
			for u	use for medical or scientific purposes, unless the holder	30
				reason to believe that to do so would be contrary to the	31
				les of the deceased or the senior available next of kin of leceased.	32 33

(2)	mad licer the p	holder of a licence must ensure that arrangements are e for the return of the human tissue to the holder of the ace as soon as practicable and by no later than the end of period (if any) within which the human tissue is required e disposed of under section 12.	1 2 3 4 5			
	Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units. Note. Section 12 requires a body that is retained for anatomical examination, and any human tissue from that body, to be disposed of within a certain period after the death of the person. Section 12 does not apply if a specific authority has been given to retain the human tissue.					
(3)	hum by t	holder of a licence must, immediately after transferring an tissue under subsection (1), enter in the register kept he holder opposite the particulars relating to the body terned:	11 12 13 14			
	(a)	the fact that the human tissue was transferred, and	15			
	(b)	the date on which it was transferred, and	16			
	(c)	the name and address of the person to whom it was transferred and of the licensed premises, hospital or other place at which the human tissue is to be retained, and	17 18 19 20			
	(d)	details of the arrangements made with respect to the return of the human tissue.	21 22			
	Max	imum penalty: 10 penalty units.	23			
(4)	auth	ect to subsection (5), the following persons are orised to use, for medical or scientific purposes, human e transferred under this section:	24 25 26			
	(a)	the person to whom the tissue was transferred,	27			
	(b)	any person authorised by that person.	28			
(5)	trans ensu	erson who has possession of human tissue that has been aftered by the holder of a licence under this section must be that the human tissue is returned to the possession of holder of the licence:	29 30 31 32			
	(a)	within the period specified in the arrangements referred to in subsection (2), or	33 34			
	(b)	if no period is specified, by the end of the period within which the human tissue must be disposed of under	35 36			

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section 12.

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.

	(6)	Subsections (2) and (5) do not apply in respect of any human tissue:	1 2	
		(a) that will be or has been wholly or substantially destroyed as a consequence of its use for medical or scientific purposes, or	3 4 5	
		(b) that is not required to be disposed of by section 12.	6	
	(7)	In this section:	7	
		authorised officer means an employee or officer of a hospital or interstate hospital who is authorised by the governing body of the hospital to take possession of human tissue on behalf of the hospital.	8 9 10 11	
		interstate hospital means a public or private hospital of another State or a Territory.	12 13	
[14]	Section 1	2 Disposal of bodies	14	
	Omit section 12 (1) and (2). Insert instead:			
	(1)	The holder of a licence must dispose of any body which is in the holder's possession for anatomical examination (including any human tissue from that body):	16 17 18	
		(a) within 4 years after the death of the deceased person, or	19	
		(b) in accordance with the terms of an authorisation granted under subsection (2).	20 21	
		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.	22	
	(2)	An inspector may, by instrument in writing, authorise the following:	23 24	
		(a) the retention of a body for anatomical examination for a period specified by the inspector, being a period that does not end more than 8 years after the death of the deceased person,	25 26 27 28	
		(b) the retention of human tissue from a body (whether for a specified period or otherwise).	29 30	
	(2A)	An inspector must, in exercising his or her functions under subsection (2):	31 32	
		(a) consider the purposes for which retention of the body, or human tissue, is sought, and	33 34	

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		(b) ensure that any authorisation granted by the inspector complies with the terms and any conditions of the authority under section 8 or 8A that initially authorised the retention of the body for anatomical examination.	1 2 3 4		
	(2B)	The holder of a licence must:	5		
		(a) comply with any terms or conditions that are imposed by an inspector in granting an authorisation under subsection (2), and	6 7 8		
		(b) enter in the register kept by the holder opposite the particulars relating to the body the fact that the authority has been given and the terms and conditions to which the authority is subject.	9 10 11 12		
		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.	13		
[15]	Section 1	2 (5) and (6)	14		
	Insert after section 12 (4):				
	(5)	This section does not require the disposal of human tissue if the permanent retention of the tissue has been expressly authorised:	16 17 18		
		(a) by the consent in writing of the deceased person given during his or her lifetime (except in the case of a deceased child), or	19 20 21		
		(b) by the consent in writing of the senior available next of kin of the deceased person.	22 23		
	(6)	This section does not require the disposal of any small samples of human tissue that are retained in the form of tissue slides or tissue blocks that enable microscopic examination of the tissue.	24 25 26 27		
[16]	Section 1	4 Offences	28		
	Omit "othe	er than a school of anatomy" from section 14 (1).	29		
		ad "other than licensed premises".	30		
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[17]	Section 1	4 (2)–(3B)	1			
	Omit section	on 14 (2) and (3) (including the maximum penalties).	2			
	Insert inste	Insert instead:				
	(2)	A person must not conduct an anatomical examination of a body at any place other than licensed premises.	4 5			
		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.	6			
	(3)	A person must not conduct an anatomical examination of a body unless the person is the holder of a licence or is authorised to do so by the holder of a licence.	7 8 9			
		Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	10 11			
	(3A)	A person must not conduct an anatomical examination of a body except in accordance with an authority that is, under this Act, sufficient authority for the person to conduct the anatomical examination.	12 13 14 15			
		Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	16 17			
	(3B)	A person must not give an authority under this Act without having made the inquiries that the person is required by this Act to have made.	18 19 20			
		Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	21 22			
[18]	Section 1	4 (6)	23			
	Insert after section 14 (5):					
	(6)	Subsections (1)–(3A) do not apply to or in respect of anything authorised by or under:	25 26			
		(a) the Coroners Act 1980, or	27			
		(b) the <i>Human Tissue Act 1983</i> , or	28			
		(c) any other law.	29			

[19]	Section 15				
	Inse	rt after	r section 14:	2	
	15	Auth	hority not to be given in respect of child in care of the State	3	
		(1)	A person must not authorise the anatomical examination of the body of a deceased child if the child was, immediately before his or her death, in the care of the State.	4 5 6	
			Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	7 8	
		(2)	Subsection (1) applies despite any other provision of this Act.	9	
		(3)	This section does not apply to or in respect of anything done under the <i>Coroners Act 1980</i> or any other law.	10 11	
	(4)		For the purposes of this section, a child is <i>in the care of the State</i> if:	12 13	
			(a) the Minister administering the <i>Children and Young</i> Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 has sole parental responsibility in respect of the child (whether under that Act or otherwise), or	14 15 16 17	
			(b) the Director-General under the <i>Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998</i> has sole parental responsibility in respect of the child (whether under that Act or otherwise).	18 19 20 21	
[20]	Sec	tion 1	6A	22	
	Inse	rt after	r section 16:	23	
	16A	Gen	neral	24	
			In the conduct of an anatomical examination of a body under an authority conferred by this Act, regard is to be had to the dignity of the deceased person.	25 26 27	

[21]	Section 17 Regulations						
	Insert at	the end of section 17 (2) (c):	2				
		, and	3				
		(d) the standards to be complied with in connection with anything authorised by or under this Act, including by requiring those standards to be complied with as a condition of an authority conferred by or under this Act.	4 5 6 7				
	(2A)	The regulations may apply, adopt or incorporate, wholly or in part and with or without modification, any guidelines or other document (such as a code of practice), as in force at a particular time or as in force from time to time, prescribed or published by the National Health and Medical Research Council or by any other person or body.	8 9 10 11 12 13				
[22]	Section	19	14				
	Omit the	section. Insert instead:	15				
	19 Sa	vings, transitional and other provisions	16				
		Schedule 2 has effect.	17				
[23]	Schedu	le 2	18				
	Insert aft	er Schedule 1:	19				
	Sched	ule 2 Savings, transitional and other provisions (Section 19)	20 21 22				
	Part 1	Preliminary	23				
	raiti	Fremmary	20				
	1 Re	gulations	24				
	(1)	The regulations may contain provisions of a savings or transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the following Acts:	25 26 27				
		Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Act 2003	28				
	(2)	Any such provision may, if the regulations so provide, take effect from the date of assent to the Act concerned or a later date.	29 30 31				

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	(3)	To the extent to which any such provision takes effect from a	1
	` ,	date that is earlier than the date of its publication in the	2
		Gazette, the provision does not operate so as:	3
		(a) to affect, in a manner prejudicial to any person (other	4
		than the State or an authority of the State), the rights of	5
		that person existing before the date of its publication, or	6
		(b) to impose liabilities on any person (other than the State	7
		or an authority of the State) in respect of anything done	8
		or omitted to be done before the date of its publication.	9
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ai	ιZ	Provisions consequent on enactment of	_
		Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation	11
		Amendment Act 2003	12
2	Savi	ing of licences	13
		A licence issued under section 6 and in force immediately	14
		before the commencement of the amendments made to that	15
		section by the Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation	16
		Amendment Act 2003 is taken, on the commencement of those	17
		amendments, to authorise the conduct of anatomical	18
		examinations at the place specified in the licence as the place	19
		at which the study and practice of anatomy may be conducted.	20
3	Арр	lication of amendments to section 12	21
	(1)	The amendments made to section 12 by the Human Tissue	22
	(-)	and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Act 2003 are taken to	23
		extend to a body that is in the possession of a holder of a	24
		licence for anatomical examination immediately before the	25
		commencement of those amendments, including any human	26
		tissue from that body.	27
	(2)	If such a body has been retained for more than 4 years after	28
		the death of the person (under an authority granted under	29
		former section 12 (2)), new section 12 (1) applies as if a	30
		reference in that subsection to the death of the deceased	31

person were a reference to the commencement of new section

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12 (1).

Schedule 1 Amendment of Anatomy Act 1977

	(3)	In this clause:	,
		former section 12 (2) means section 12 (2) as in force immediately before its substitution by the <i>Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Act 2003</i> .	2
		new section 12 (1) means section 12 (1) as substituted by the Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Act 2003.	-
[24]	Long title		8
	Omit "to a	mend and re-enact the law relating to anatomy".	Ç
	Insert inste	ad "to regulate the conduct of anatomical examinations".	10

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Sch	edule 2	Am	endment of Human Tissue Act 1983 (Section 4)	1 2
[1]	Section 4	Defin	itions	3
	Omit the de	efinitio	on of <i>designated officer</i> from section 4 (1). Insert instead:	4
		desig	nated officer means:	5
		(a)	in relation to a hospital, a person appointed for the time being under section 5 (1) (a) to be a designated officer for the hospital, or	6 7 8
		(b)	in relation to a forensic institution, a person appointed for the time being under section 5 (3) to be a designated officer for the forensic institution.	9 10 11
[2]	Section 4	(1)		12
	Insert in alp	phabet	ical order:	13
			ctor-General means the Director-General of the artment of Health.	14 15
		exerc	cise a function includes perform a duty.	16
		foren	asic institution means:	17
		(a)	an institution that is under the control of a public health organisation (within the meaning of the <i>Health Services Act 1997</i>), or	18 19 20
		(b)	an accredited pathology laboratory under the <i>Health Insurance Act 1973</i> of the Commonwealth,	21 22
			hich post-mortem examinations of human bodies are ed out, but does not include a hospital.	23 24
		func	tion includes a power, authority or duty.	25
		inspe 7A.	ector means a person appointed as an inspector under Part	26 27
		denta super	cal, dental or surgical treatment means any medical, all or surgical treatment carried out by, or under the rvision of, a medical practitioner or dentist with respect iving person in the interests of the health of the person.	28 29 30 31

Section 4 (1), definition of "governing body"						
Omit the definiti	on. Ins	sert instead:	2			
gove	governing body means:					
(a)	in re	lation to a hospital:	4			
	(i)	in the case of a public hospital that is controlled by a public health organisation within the meaning of the <i>Health Services Act 1997</i> —the public health organisation, or	5 6 7 8			
	(ii)	in the case of a public hospital within the meaning of the <i>Health Services Act 1997</i> that is controlled by the Crown (including the Minister or the Health Administration Corporation)—the Crown, or	9 10 11 12 13			
	(iii)	in the case of a private hospital within the meaning of the <i>Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Act 1988</i> —the licensee of the hospital, or	14 15 16 17			
(b)	in relation to a forensic institution:					
	(i)	in the case of a forensic institution that is controlled by a public health organisation within the meaning of the <i>Health Services Act 1997</i> —the public health organisation, or	19 20 21 22			
	(ii)	in the case of an accredited pathology laboratory under the <i>Health Insurance Act 1973</i> of the Commonwealth—the person in charge of the laboratory (however designated).	23 24 25 26			
Section 4 (1), d	efiniti	ion of "next of kin"	27			
Insert before par	agraph	n (a):	28			
(aa)	in rel	lation to a child who is living—a person referred to aragraph (aa) of the definition of <i>senior available</i>	29 30 31			
Section 4 (1), d	efiniti	on of "senior available next of kin"	32			
Insert before par	agraph	ı (a):	33			
(aa)			34			
	(i)	a parent of the child, or	35			
	Omit the definition gove (a) (b) Section 4 (1), do Insert before part (aa) Section 4 (1), do Insert before part (ab)	Omit the definition. Insert before paragraph (a) in re (i) (ii) (iii) Section 4 (1), definition (aa) in re in paragraph (aa) in re	 (a) in relation to a hospital: (i) in the case of a public hospital that is controlled by a public health organisation within the meaning of the Health Services Act 1997—the public health organisation, or (ii) in the case of a public hospital within the meaning of the Health Services Act 1997 that is controlled by the Crown (including the Minister or the Health Administration Corporation)—the Crown, or (iii) in the case of a private hospital within the meaning of the Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres Act 1988—the licensee of the hospital, or (b) in relation to a forensic institution: (i) in the case of a forensic institution that is controlled by a public health organisation within the meaning of the Health Services Act 1997—the public health organisation, or (ii) in the case of an accredited pathology laboratory under the Health Insurance Act 1973 of the Commonwealth—the person in charge of the laboratory (however designated). Section 4 (1), definition of "next of kin" Insert before paragraph (a): (aa) in relation to a child who is living—a person referred to in paragraph (aa) of the definition of senior available next of kin, and Section 4 (1), definition of "senior available next of kin" Insert before paragraph (a): (aa) in relation to a child who is living: 			

			(ii)	if no person referred to in subparagraph (i) is available—a person who is a guardian of the child, and	1 2 3
[6]	Secti	on 4	(5) and (6)		4
	Insert	after	section 4 (4)):	5
		(5)		a reference to tissue removed from the body of a on in the course of medical, dental or surgical acludes:	6 7 8
				e expelled from the body of the person in the se of the treatment, and	9 10
			perso	ssue removed or expelled from the body of the on in the course of the treatment, even if the person during the course of the treatment.	11 12 13
		(6)		t, a reference to medical or scientific purposes ducational purposes connected with medicine or	14 15 16
[7]	Secti	on 4	4		17
	Insert	after	section 4:		18
	4A	Note	s		19
			Notes inclu	ded in this Act do not form part of this Act.	20
[8]	Secti	on 5	Designated	l officers and designated specialists	21
	Insert	after	section 5 (2)):	22
		(3)	instrument	ning body of a forensic institution may, by in writing, appoint such persons as the governing ders necessary to be designated officers for the stitution.	23 24 25 26

[9]	Section 5A				
	Inse	rt after	section 5:	2	
	5A	Dele	gation of functions of next of kin	3	
		(1)	A next of kin of a deceased person may from time to time, by instrument in writing, authorise a person to exercise his or her functions under this Act as a next of kin of the deceased person.	4 5 6 7	
		(2)	In such a case, the person so authorised:	8	
			(a) may exercise the functions of a next of kin of the deceased person under this Act (other than the function conferred by subsection (1)), in the place of the person who authorised him or her, and	9 10 11 12	
			(b) is taken, for the purposes of this Act, to be a next of kin of the deceased person, and	13 14	
			(c) for the purposes of the definition of <i>senior available next of kin</i> in section 4 (1), is taken to be a next of kin of the same order as the person who authorised him or her to exercise the functions of a next of kin.	15 16 17 18	
10]	Sec	tion 2	1F Definitions	19	
	Omi	t the d	efinition of <i>inspector</i> from section 21F (2).	20	
[11]	Sec	tions	21P–21T	21	
	Omi	t the se	ections.	22	
12]	Part	3C		23	
	Inse	rt after	Part 3B:	24	
	Par	t 3C	Use of tissue removed during medical, dental or surgical treatment	25 26	
	21W	Appl	ication	27	
		(1)	This Part applies with respect to the use of tissue removed from the body of a living person during medical, dental or surgical treatment carried out in the interests of the health of the person. This Part does not authorise the removal of tissue	28 29 30 31	

		from the body of a person after that person's death or the use of any tissue so removed.	1 2
		Note. See Parts 4 and 5 in relation to the removal of tissue after a person's death and the use of that tissue.	3 4
	(2)	This Part does not apply to or in respect of the following:	5
		(a) tissue that is removed in accordance with Part 2,	6
		(b) blood that is removed in accordance with Part 3 or 3A,	7
		(c) semen obtained or received from a donor in accordance with Part 3A.	8 9
21X	Auth	nority to use tissue removed from adult	10
	(1)	The use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of	11
		tissue removed from the body of a person during medical, dental or surgical treatment, is authorised if:	12 13
		(a) the person has given his or her consent in writing to the	14
		use of the tissue for that purpose, and	15
		(b) the consent has not been revoked.	16
	(2)	The authority conferred by subsection (1) is subject to the	17
		terms and any conditions of the consent referred to in that subsection.	18 19
	(3)	This section does not apply if the person:	20
		(a) is a child, or	21
		(b) is a patient to whom Part 5 of the <i>Guardianship Act</i> 1987 applies.	22 23
21Y	Auth	nority to use tissue removed from child	24
	(1)	A senior available next of kin of a child may, by instrument in	25
		writing, authorise the use, for therapeutic, medical or	26 27
		scientific purposes, of any tissue removed from the body of the child during medical, dental or surgical treatment.	28
	(2)	A senior available next of kin must not grant an authority	29
		under subsection (1) if it appears to the senior available next	30 31
		of kin, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, that:	32
		(a) the child objects to the use of the tissue for the purposes	33
		to be authorised, or	34

		(b)	there is another next of kin of the same or higher order of the classes in paragraph (aa) of the definition of <i>senior available next of kin</i> in section 4 (1) who objects to the use of the tissue for the purposes to be authorised.	1 2 3 4
		Max	imum penalty: 10 penalty units.	5
	(3)		section does not apply if the child is deceased. Section 21ZA may apply if the child is deceased.	6 7
21Z		nority rdians	to use tissue removed from person under ship	8
	(1)	Part instr medi body	erson responsible for a person who is a patient to whom 5 of the <i>Guardianship Act 1987</i> applies may, by ument in writing, authorise the use, for therapeutic, ical or scientific purposes, of any tissue removed from the of the patient during medical, dental or surgical ment.	10 11 12 13 14 15
	(2)	This (a)	section does not apply if: the patient is a child and the Minister administering the <i>Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act</i> 1998 has sole parental responsibility in respect of the	16 17 18 19
		(b)	child (whether under that Act or otherwise), or the patient is a child and the Director-General under the <i>Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act</i> 1998 has sole parental responsibility in respect of the child (whether under that Act or otherwise), or	20 21 22 23 24
		(c)	the patient (whether or not a child) is deceased.	25
	(3)	In th	is section:	26
			on responsible for a person has the meaning given by Part the Guardianship Act 1987.	27 28
21ZA	Auth	nority	to use tissue removed from deceased person	29
	(1)	may, thera was that	enior available next of kin of a person who is deceased, by instrument in writing, authorise the use, for apeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of any tissue that removed from the body of the deceased person, before person's death, during medical, dental or surgical ment.	30 31 32 33 34 35

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	(2)	A senior available next of kin must not grant an authority	1
	` '	under subsection (1) if it appears to the senior available next	2
		of kin, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the	3
		circumstances, that:	4
		(a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime,	5
		expressed an objection to the use of tissue removed	6
		from the person's body for the purposes to be	7
		authorised and had not withdrawn that objection, or	8
		(b) there is another next of kin of the same or higher order	9
		of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of	10
		senior available next of kin in section 4 (1) who objects	11
		to the use of the tissue for the purposes to be authorised.	12
		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.	13
ZB	Effe	ct of authority under this Part	14
	(1)	An authority under this Part is sufficient authority for the use,	15
	(1)	for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of tissue	16
		removed from the body of a person during medical, dental or	17
		surgical treatment, if the tissue is used in accordance with the	18
		terms and any conditions of the authority.	19
	(2)	An authority under this Part does not authorise the removal of	20
	` '	tissue from the body of a person.	21
		Note. Parts 2, 3 and 3A provide authority to remove tissue (including	22
		blood and semen) from the body of a living person for purposes such as	23 24
		transplantation and transfusion, and other therapeutic, scientific, and medical purposes. Parts 4 and 5 provide authority to remove tissue from	24 25
		the body of a person who is deceased. In certain cases, an authority	26
		under this Act to remove tissue is not required (see section 34 (1) (a)).	27
Sect	ions	23 and 24	28
Omi	the se	ections. Insert instead:	29
23	Auth	nority to remove tissue where body of deceased at a	30
	hosp		31
	(1)	If a designated officer for a hospital is satisfied, after making	32
	` '	such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in	33
		relation to a person who has died in the hospital or whose dead	34

body has been brought into the hospital, that:

- (a) the person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the removal after that person's death of tissue from that person's body for the purpose of:
 - (i) its transplantation to the body of a living person,
 - (ii) its use for other therapeutic purposes or for medical purposes or scientific purposes, and
- (b) the consent had not been revoked,

the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the removal of tissue from that person's body in accordance with the terms and any conditions of the consent.

- (2) An authority under subsection (1) is not to be given in respect of a deceased child.
- (3) If the designated officer is not satisfied as to the matters referred to in subsection (1), or the deceased person is a deceased child, and the designated officer is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to the deceased person, that:
 - (a) the deceased person had not, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the removal of tissue from the person's body, and
 - (b) a senior available next of kin has given his or her consent in writing, or in any other manner prescribed by the regulations, to the removal of tissue from the person's body, and
 - (c) there is no next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of *senior available next of kin* in section 4 (1) who objects to the removal of tissue from the person's body,

the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the removal of tissue from the deceased person's body in accordance with the terms and any conditions of the consent referred to in paragraph (b).

24	Authority to remove tissue where body of deceased not at a
	hospital

- (1) If the body of a deceased person (other than a deceased child) is at a place other than a hospital, the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person for the purpose of its transplantation to the body of a living person, or its use for other therapeutic purposes or for medical purposes or scientific purposes, is authorised if:
 - (a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the removal of tissue from the person's body for that purpose, and
 - (b) the consent had not been revoked.
- (2) The authority conferred by subsection (1) is subject to the terms and any conditions of the consent referred to in that subsection.
- (3) If the body of a deceased person is at a place other than a hospital, a senior available next of kin of the person may, by instrument in writing or in any other manner prescribed by the regulations, authorise the removal of tissue from the deceased person's body for the purpose of its transplantation to the body of a living person, or its use for other therapeutic purposes or for medical purposes or scientific purposes.
- (4) A senior available next of kin must not grant an authority under subsection (3) if it appears to the senior available next of kin, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, that:
 - (a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the removal of tissue from the person's body and had not withdrawn that objection, or
 - (b) another next of kin of the same or higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of *senior* available next of kin in section 4 (1) objects to the removal of tissue from the person's body.

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.

[14]	Sect	ion 2	7 Effect of authority under this Part	1
	Inser	t after	r section 27 (2):	2
		(3)	An authority under this Part does not authorise the use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of any tissue removed from the body of a deceased person:	3 4 5
			(a) in the course of the medical, dental or surgical treatment performed while the person was still living, or	6 7
		(b) for the purposes of a post-mortem examination. Note. An authority under Part 3C may be given to authorise the use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of any tissue removed in the course of medical, dental or surgical treatment while the person was still living. An authority under Division 2 of Part 5 may be given to authorise the use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of any tissue removed for the purposes of a post-mortem examination.	8 9 10 11 12 13	
[15]	Part	5, Div	vision 1, heading	15
	Inser	t befo	ore section 28:	16
	Divi	sion	1 Authority to conduct post-mortem examinations	17 18
[16]	Sect	ions	28 and 29	19
	Omit	t the so	ections. Insert instead:	20
			hority for post-mortem examination where body of eased at a hospital	21 22
		(1)	If a designated officer for a hospital is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to a person who has died in the hospital or whose dead body has been brought into the hospital, that:	23 24 25 26
			(a) the person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the post-mortem examination of that person's body, and	27 28 29
			(b) the consent had not been revoked,	30
			the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the post-mortem examination of that person's body in accordance with the terms and any conditions of the consent.	31 32 33 34

(2)	An authority under subsection (1) is not to be given in respect of a deceased child.				
(3)	If the designated officer is not satisfied as to the matters referred to in subsection (1), or the deceased person is a deceased child, and the designated officer is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to the deceased person, that:	3 4 5 6 7			
	(a) the deceased person had not, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the post-mortem examination of the person's body, and	8 9 10			
	(b) a senior available next of kin has given his or her consent in writing to the post-mortem examination of the person's body, and	11 12 13			
	(c) there is no next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of <i>senior available next of kin</i> in section 4 (1) who objects to the post-mortem examination of the person's body,	14 15 16 17			
	the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the post-mortem examination of the person's body in accordance with the terms and any conditions of the consent referred to in paragraph (b).				
	nority for post-mortem examination where body of eased not at a hospital	22 23			
(1)	If the body of a deceased person (other than a deceased child) is at a place other than a hospital, the post-mortem examination of that person's body is authorised if:	24 25 26			
	(a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the post-mortem examination of the person's body after the person's death, and	27 28 29 30			
	(b) the consent had not been revoked.	31			
(2)	The authority conferred by subsection (1) is subject to the terms and any conditions of the consent referred to in that subsection.	32 33 34			
(3)	If the body of a deceased person is at a place other than a hospital, a senior available next of kin of the person may, by	35 36			

instrument in writing, authorise the post-mortem examination

of the person's body.

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- (4) A senior available next of kin must not grant an authority under subsection (3) if it appears to the senior available next of kin, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, that:
 - (a) the deceased person had, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the post-mortem examination of the person's body and had not withdrawn that objection, or
 - (b) another next of kin of the same or higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of *senior* available next of kin in section 4 (1) objects to the postmortem examination of the person's body.

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.

[17] Section 31 Effect of authority under this Division

Omit "this Part" from section 31 (1). Insert instead "this Division".

[18] Section 31 (2) and (3)

Omit the subsections. Insert instead:

(2) An authority under this Division does not authorise any person to use any tissue removed from a person's body for any therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes other than the purposes of the post-mortem examination.

Note. An authority under this Division is not required in respect of anything authorised by or under the *Coroners Act 1980* (see section 36 (4) of this Act). An authority under Division 2 of Part 5 may be given to authorise the use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of any tissue removed for the purposes of a post-mortem examination. An authority to use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, tissue removed for the purposes of a post-mortem examination is not required in respect of small samples of tissue that are retained in the form of tissue slides or tissue blocks (see section 34).

[19]	Part	t 5, Div	visions 2 and 3	1
	Inse	rt after	section 31:	2
	Div	ision	2 Use of tissue removed for post-mortem examination for other purposes	3 4
	31A		nority to use tissue removed for post-mortem examination other purposes	5 6
		(1)	If a designated officer for a hospital or forensic institution is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to a deceased person whose body is being retained at a hospital or forensic institution for the purposes of a post-mortem examination or has been the subject of a post-mortem examination at a hospital or forensic institution, that:	7 8 9 10 11 12 13
			(a) the person had, during the person's lifetime, given his or her consent in writing to the use after the person's death of tissue from the person's body for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, and	14 15 16 17
			(b) the consent had not been revoked, the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the use for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes of any tissue removed from the body of the deceased person for the purposes of the post-mortem examination in accordance with the terms and any conditions of the consent.	18 19 20 21 22 23
		(2)	An authority under subsection (1) is not to be given in respect of a deceased child.	24 25
		(3)	If the designated officer is not satisfied as to the matters referred to in subsection (1), or the deceased person is a deceased child, and the designated officer is satisfied, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to the deceased person, that:	26 27 28 29 30
			(a) the deceased person had not, during the person's lifetime, expressed an objection to the use after the person's death of tissue from the person's body for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, and	32 33 34

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	(b) a senior available next of kin has given his or her consent in writing to the use of tissue from the body of the deceased person for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, and	1 2 3 4
	(c) there is no next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of <i>senior available next of kin</i> in section 4 (1) who objects to the use of tissue for those purposes,	5 6 7 8
	the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the use for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes of any tissue removed from the body of the deceased person for the purposes of the post-mortem examination in accordance with the terms of the consent referred to in paragraph (b).	9 10 11 12 13 14
Con	sent by coroner	15
(1)	If a coroner has jurisdiction to hold an inquest under the <i>Coroners Act 1980</i> in respect of the death of a person, a designated officer for a hospital or forensic institution must not authorise the use of any tissue removed from the person's body under section 31A unless a coroner has given consent to the use of the tissue.	16 17 18 19 20 21
	Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	22 23
(2)	A consent by a coroner under this section may be expressed to be subject to such conditions as are specified in the consent.	24 25
(3)	The designated officer is to ensure that an authority given under section 31A gives effect to any such conditions.	26 27
(4)	A consent by a coroner under this section may be given orally	28

and, if so given, is to be confirmed in writing as soon as

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	31C Effect of authority under this Division	1
	An authority given by a designated officer under this Division is sufficient authority for a person to use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, tissue removed from the body	3
	of a deceased person for the purposes of a post-mortem examination if:	6
	(a) the tissue is used in accordance with the terms and any conditions of the authority, and	7 8
	(b) the person who uses the tissue is not the designated officer who gave the authority.	10
	Note. An authority under this Division is not required in respect of anything authorised by or under the <i>Coroners Act 1980</i> (see section 36 (4) of this Act).	11 12 13
	Division 3 General	14
	31D General	15
	In the conduct of a post-mortem examination under an authority conferred by this Act, regard is to be had to the dignity of the deceased person.	16 17 18
[20]	Section 32 Trading in tissue prohibited	19
	Omit "A person shall not enter into a contract or arrangement" from section 32 (1).	20 21
	Insert instead "A person must not enter into, or offer to enter into, a contract or arrangement".	22 23
[21]	Section 32 (2)	24
	Omit ", in accordance with the directions of a medical practitioner,".	25

[22]	Part '	7A			1
	Insert	after	Part 7:		2
	Part	7A	Enfo	rcement	3
	33A	Appo	ointment o	f inspectors	4
		(1)	Department General co	ector-General may appoint any officer of the nt of Health, or any person who the Director-onsiders is suitably qualified for the purpose, to be or for the purposes of this Act.	5 6 7 8
		(2)	General methat author	nting an inspector under subsection (1), the Directornust issue to the inspector a certificate of authority rises the inspector to exercise the powers conferred vector by this Act.	9 10 11 12
		(3)	A certifica	ate of authority must:	13
			(a) state and	e that it is issued under the <i>Human Tissue Act 1983</i> ,	14 15
			(b) give	e the name of the person to whom it is issued, and	16
			(c) state	e the date, if any, on which it expires, and	17
				cribe the nature of the powers conferred and the ree of the powers.	18 19
	33B	Powe	ers of insp	ectors	20
		(1)	premises provision	tor may at any reasonable time enter and inspect any for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not a of this Act, or any regulation made under this Act, r has been complied with or contravened.	21 22 23 24
		(2)	authority of	premises entered under this section or under the of a search warrant under section 33G, an inspector ne or more of the following:	25 26 27
			(a) insp	ect:	28
			(i)	all tissue and blood products kept on those premises, or anything the inspector reasonably believes to be tissue or blood products, and	29 30 31
			(ii)	all containers that the inspector reasonably believes to contain or to have contained tissue or blood products, and	32 33 34

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- (iii) all equipment kept on the premises that the inspector reasonably believes to be or to have been used for processing, packing or storing tissue or blood products,
- (b) take and remove for analysis or testing a sample of any tissue or blood product kept on the premises, or anything the inspector reasonably believes to be tissue or blood products,
- (c) inspect any records kept on those premises and require any person whom the inspector reasonably believes to have custody or control of those records to produce them for inspection,
- (d) require any person on those premises to answer questions or otherwise furnish information in relation to a contravention of a provision of this Act or the regulations,
- (e) make and take away copies of the whole or any part of any records or other information,
- (f) take away and retain, for such period as may be reasonably necessary, any records or other information, or any part of them, in order to make copies of them,
- (g) take away and retain any records or other information, if the inspector concerned reasonably believes that the records or information are evidence of an offence against this Act or a regulation made under this Act, until proceedings for the offence have been disposed of,
- (h) seize and detain:
 - (i) any tissue or blood product, or anything the inspector reasonably believes to be tissue or a blood product, in relation to which the inspector reasonably believes an offence against this Act or against a regulation under this Act is being or has been committed, and
 - (ii) any container in which any such tissue or blood product, or other thing, is kept, and
 - (iii) any equipment which the inspector reasonably believes is being or has been used in connection with any such offence,

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	(i)	place anything seized as referred to in paragraph (h) in a container, or in a room, compartment or cabinet located on the premises where they were seized, and mark, fasten and seal that container or, as the case may be, the door or opening providing access to that room, compartment or cabinet,	1 2 3 4 5 6
	(j)	take such photographs, films, audio, video and other recordings as the inspector considers necessary.	7 8
(3)	inspe place	thing seized under this section may, at the option of the ector who made the seizure or another inspector acting in e of that inspector, be detained on the premises where it found or be removed to other premises and detained in	9 10 11 12 13
(4)	unde	re taking away a record or statement or any thing seized r this section, an inspector must tender an appropriate pt to the person from whom it is taken.	14 15 16
(5)	of pr	section does not authorise an inspector to enter any part emises that is being used for residential purposes except:	17 18
	(a)	with the consent of the occupier, or	19
	(b)	under the authority of a search warrant.	20
(6)	funct inspe	nspector must, when exercising on any premises any tion of an inspector under this section, produce the ector's certificate of authority if required to do so by the pier of the premises.	21 22 23 24
Prov	isions	s relating to exercise of powers	25
(1)	an in	ower conferred by this Act to enter premises, or to make aspection or take other action on premises, may not be existed unless the inspector proposing to exercise the er:	26 27 28 29
	(a)	is in possession of a certificate of authority, and	30
	(b)	gives reasonable notice to the occupier of the premises of the intention to exercise the power, unless the giving of notice would defeat the purpose for which it is intended to exercise the power, and	31 32 33 34

exercises the power at a reasonable time, unless it is

being exercised in an emergency, and

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		(d) uses no more force than is reasonably necessary to effect the entry or make the inspection.	1 2
	(2)	If damage is caused by an inspector exercising a power to enter premises, a reasonable amount of compensation is recoverable as a debt owed by the Crown to the owner of the premises unless the occupier obstructed the exercise of the power.	3 4 5 6 7
	(3)	This section does not apply to a power conferred by a search warrant issued under the <i>Search Warrants Act 1985</i> .	8 9
33D	Req	uirement to provide information and records	10
	(1)	An inspector may, by notice in writing given to a person, require the person to furnish to the inspector such information or records (or both) as the inspector requires by the notice, being information that relates to the question of whether or not a provision of this Act, or any regulation made under this Act, is being or has been complied with or contravened.	11 12 13 14 15
	(2)	A notice under this section:	17
		(a) must specify the manner in which information or records are required to be furnished and a reasonable time by which the information or records are required to be furnished, and	18 19 20 21
		(b) may only require a person to furnish existing records that are in the person's possession or that are within the person's power to obtain lawfully.	22 23 24
	(3)	The inspector to whom any record is furnished under this Part may take copies of it.	25 26
	(4)	If any record required to be furnished under this Part is in electronic, mechanical or other form, the notice requires the record to be furnished in written form, unless the notice otherwise provides.	27 28 29 30
	(5)	This section applies whether or not a power of entry under this Act is being or has been exercised.	31 32

33E	Power of inspectors to require answers		
	(1)	An inspector may require a person whom the inspector suspects on reasonable grounds to have knowledge of matters in respect of which information is reasonably required for the purposes of this Act to answer questions in relation to those matters.	2 3 4 5 6
	(2)	An inspector may, by notice in writing, require a corporation to nominate, in writing within the time specified in the notice, a director or officer of the corporation to be the corporation's representative for the purpose of answering questions under this section.	7 8 9 10 11
	(3)	Answers given by a person nominated under subsection (2) bind the corporation.	12 13
33F	Pow	er to demand name and address	14
		An inspector may require a person whom the inspector suspects on reasonable grounds to have contravened or to be contravening this Act or the regulations to state his or her full name and residential address.	15 16 17 18
33G	Sea	rch warrants	19
	(1)	An inspector may apply to an authorised justice for a search warrant for premises if the inspector believes on reasonable grounds:	20 21 22
		(a) that a provision of this Act or the regulations is being or has been contravened on the premises, or	23 24
		(b) that there is on the premises evidence of a contravention of a provision of this Act or the regulations.	25 26
	(2)	An authorised justice to whom such an application is made may, if satisfied that there are reasonable grounds for doing so, issue a search warrant authorising an inspector named in the warrant:	27 28 29 30
		(a) to enter and inspect any premises, and	31
		(b) to exercise the powers, or any specified powers, of an inspector under this Part.	32 33
	(3)	Part 3 of the <i>Search Warrants Act 1985</i> applies to a search warrant issued under this section.	34 35

	(4)	In this section:	1
		authorised justice has the meaning it has in the Search Warrants Act 1985.	2
33H	Offe	ences	4
	(1)	A person who, without lawful excuse, neglects or fails to comply with a requirement made of the person by an inspector under this Act is guilty of an offence.	5 6 7
	(2)	A person who furnishes any information or does any other thing in purported compliance with a requirement made by an inspector under this Act, knowing that it is false or misleading in a material respect, is guilty of an offence.	8 9 10 11
	(3)	A person who hinders or obstructs an inspector in the exercise of any of the powers conferred by this Act is guilty of an offence.	12 13 14
	(4)	A person is not guilty of an offence of failing to comply with a requirement made by an inspector unless it is established by the prosecutor that the inspector concerned warned the person that a failure or refusal to comply with the requirement was an offence.	15 16 17 18 19
	(5)	A person is not guilty of an offence of hindering or obstructing an inspector in the exercise of the inspector's powers at any premises unless it is established by the prosecutor that:	20 21 22 23
		(a) the inspector concerned produced at the relevant time the certificate of authority issued to the inspector under this Part, and	24 25 26
		(b) the person was informed by the inspector concerned, or otherwise knew, that the inspector was empowered to exercise the power to which the offence relates.	27 28 29
		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units or imprisonment for 3 months, or both.	30 31
33I	Disa	allowance of seizure	32
	(1)	Any person claiming to be entitled to any seized item may, within 10 days after the date on which the seizure took place, make an application to the District Court for an order disallowing the seizure.	33 34 35 36

- (2) An application made under subsection (1) must not be heard unless the applicant has previously served a copy of the application on the Director-General.
- (3) The Director-General is entitled to appear as respondent at the hearing of an application made under subsection (1).
- (4) The District Court must, on the hearing of an application made under subsection (1), make an order disallowing the seizure:
 - (a) if it is proved by or on behalf of the applicant that the applicant would, but for the seizure, be entitled to the seized item and if it is not proved by or on behalf of the respondent beyond all reasonable doubt that an offence was being or had been at the time of the seizure, committed in relation to the seized item, or
 - (b) if, in the opinion of the Court, there are exceptional circumstances justifying the making of an order disallowing the seizure.
- (5) In any other case, the District Court must refuse the application.
- (6) If on the hearing of an application made under subsection (1) it appears to the District Court that the seized item that is the subject of the application is required to be produced in evidence in any pending proceedings in connection with an offence against this Act or the regulations, the Court may, either on the application of the respondent or on its own motion, adjourn the hearing until the conclusion of those proceedings.
- (7) If the District Court makes an order under subsection (4) disallowing the seizure of any seized item, the Court must also make one or both of the following orders:
 - (a) an order directing the respondent to cause the seized item to be delivered to the applicant or to such other person as appears to the Court to be entitled to it,
 - (b) if the seized item cannot for any reason be so delivered or has in consequence of the seizure depreciated in value, an order directing the Director-General to pay to the applicant such amount by way of compensation as the Court considers to be just and reasonable.

	(8)	appli	award of costs with respect to the hearing of an acation made under subsection (1) is at the discretion of District Court.	1 2 3
	(9)	amoi any	e District Court makes an order for the payment of any unt as compensation under subsection (7) (b) or awards amount as costs under subsection (8), that order is reeable as a judgment of the Court.	4 5 6 7
	(10)	In th	is section:	8
			d item means anything seized by an inspector under on 33B (2) (h).	9
33J	Disp	osal d	of seized items	11
	(1)	If:		12
		(a)	no application for disallowance of the seizure of a seized item has been made within the period allowed by section 33I (1), or	13 14 15
		(b)	any such application has been made within that period and the application has been refused or withdrawn before a decision in respect of the application has been made,	16 17 18 19
			eized item is forfeited to the Crown and may be destroyed sposed of in such manner as the Director-General directs.	20 21
	(2)	that	ection (1) does not apply in respect of any seized item has been disposed of or destroyed as referred to in ection (3) or (7).	22 23 24
	(3)	failu regul Gene deliv	e Director-General is satisfied that there has been no re to comply with or contravention of this Act or the lations in relation to any seized item, the Director-eral must immediately cause the seized item to be rered to such person as appears to the Director-General to ntitled to it.	25 26 27 28 29 30
	(4)	that	has been forfeited or destroyed as referred to in ection (1) or (7).	31 32 33

(5) If:

		(a)	any seized item is forfeited to the Crown under this section because no application for disallowance of the seizure was made within the period allowed by section 33I (1), and	3 4 5
		(b)	the Director-General is satisfied that there has been no failure to comply with or contravention of this Act or the regulations in relation to the seized item, and	6 7 8
		(c)	the seized item has not been disposed of or destroyed in a manner that would prevent it from being dealt with in accordance with this subsection,	9 10 11
		to be	Director-General must immediately cause the seized item e delivered to such person as appears to the Director- eral to be the person who would, but for the forfeiture, e been entitled to it.	12 13 14 15
	(6)	subs	sy seized item is delivered to a person in accordance with ection (5), such proprietary and other interests as existed ediately before the forfeiture are revived.	16 17 18
	(7)	unde that conta is no legal	in inspector who has seized any tissue or blood product or section 33B (2) (h) is satisfied on reasonable grounds the tissue or blood product contains a prescribed aminant, and the tissue or blood product is not required or blooger required to be retained for the purposes of any l proceedings, the inspector is to cause the tissue or blood fuct to be destroyed.	19 20 21 22 23 24 25
	(8)	In th	is section:	26
			ed item means anything seized by an inspector under on 33B (2) (h).	27 28
[23]	Section 3	4 Act	does not prevent specified removals of tissue etc	29
	Omit "med	lical o	r surgical treatment" from section 34 (1) (a).	30
	Insert inste	ad "m	nedical, dental or surgical treatment".	31
[24]	Section 3	4 (1) ((b)	32
	Omit section	on 34	(1) (b). Insert instead:	33
		(b)	the use of tissue so removed for the purposes of the medical, dental or surgical treatment,	34 35

[25]	Sect	ion 3	4 (1) ((b1) and (b2)	1		
	Insert after section 34 (1) (b):						
	(b1)			the use, for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes, of small samples of any tissue that is lawfully removed from the body of a person (whether living or deceased) and retained in the form of a tissue slide or tissue block which enables microscopic examination of the tissue,	3 4 5 6 7		
			(b2)	the retention of tissue lawfully removed from the body of a person (whether living or deceased) in prescribed circumstances for such period as the regulations authorise for the purpose of obtaining an authority under this Act to use the tissue for therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes,	8 9 10 11 12 13		
[26]	Sect	ion 3	4A		14		
	Inser	t after	section	on 34:	15		
	34A Aut		hority not to be given in respect of child in care of the State				
		(1)	A pe	erson must not:	17		
			(a)	authorise the removal of tissue from the body of a deceased child for any purpose if the child was, immediately before his or her death, in the care of the State, or	18 19 20 21		
			(b)	authorise the post-mortem examination of the body of a deceased child if the child was, immediately before his or her death, in the care of the State, or	22 23 24		
			(c)	authorise the use of tissue removed during the post- mortem examination of the body of a deceased child for any purpose (other than the purposes of the post- mortem examination) if the child was, immediately before his or her death, in the care of the State.	25 26 27 28 29		
				imum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 ths, or both.	30 31		
		(2)	Subs	section (1) applies despite any other provision of this Act.	32		
		(3)		section does not apply to or in respect of anything done or the <i>Coroners Act 1980</i> or any other law.	33 34		

	(4)	For the purposes of this section, a child is <i>in the care of the State</i> if:	1 2
		(a) the Minister administering the <i>Children and Young</i> Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 has sole parental responsibility in respect of the child (whether under that Act or otherwise), or	3 4 5 6
		(b) the Director-General under the <i>Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998</i> has sole parental responsibility in respect of the child (whether under that Act or otherwise).	7 8 9 10
[27]	Section 3	6 Offences	11
	Insert after	section 36 (1):	12
	(1A)	A person must not use any tissue that is removed from the body of a living person in the course of medical, dental or surgical treatment carried out in the interests of the health of the person for any purpose (other than for the purposes of treating the person) except in accordance with an authority that is, under this Act, sufficient authority for the firstmentioned person to use the tissue for that purpose. Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21
[28]	Section 3	6 (2A)	22
	Insert after	section 36 (2):	23
	(2A)	A person must not use any tissue that is removed from the body of a deceased person for the purposes of a post-mortem examination for any purpose (other than the purposes of that examination) except in accordance with an authority that is, under this Act, sufficient authority for the firstmentioned person to use the tissue for that purpose. Maximum penalty: 40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.	24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

[29]	Section 36 (4)					
	Omit section 36 (4). Insert instead:					
	(4)		ections (1), (2) and (2A) do not apply to or in respect of ning authorised by or under:	3 4		
		(a)	the Coroners Act 1980, or	5		
		(b)	the Anatomy Act 1977, or	6		
		(c)	any other law.	7		
[30]	Section 3	9 Reg	ulations	8		
	Insert after	sectio	on 39 (1):	9		
	(1A)		articular, the regulations may make provision for or with ect to the following:	10 11		
		(a)	the making and keeping of records in connection with the removal of tissue from the body of a person (whether living or deceased), including the removal of tissue in the course of medical, dental or surgical treatment, and the retention or use of the tissue for any purposes,	12 13 14 15 16		
		(b)	the making and keeping of records in connection with the use of any deceased person's body for any therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes under an authority under this Act,	18 19 20 21		
		(c)	the information to be provided to the Director-General of the Department of Health, or to any other specified person concerned in the administration of this Act, about any removal, retention or use of tissue from the body of a person, or any use of a deceased person's body for any therapeutic, medical or scientific purposes under an authority under this Act,	22 23 24 25 26 27 28		
		(d)	the standards to be complied with in connection with anything authorised by this Act, including by requiring those standards to be complied with as a condition of an authority conferred by or under this Act.	29 30 31 32		

[31]	Section 39 (4)								
	Insert after section 39 (3):								
		(4)	The regulations may apply, adopt or incorporate, wholly or in part and with or without modification, any guidelines or other document (such as a code of practice), as in force at a particular time or as in force from time to time, prescribed or published by the National Health and Medical Research Council or by any other person or body.	3 4 5 6 7 8					
[32]	Sec	tion 4	0 and Schedule 1	9					
	Inse	rt aftei	r section 39:	10					
	40	Savi	ings, transitional and other provisions	11					
			Schedule 1 has effect.	12					
	Schedule 1 Savings, transitional and other provisions (Section 40)								
	Pai	rt 1	Preliminary	16					
	1	Reg	ulations	17					
		(1)	The regulations may contain provisions of a savings or transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the following Acts:	18 19 20					
			Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Act 2003	21					
		(2)	Any such provision may, if the regulations so provide, take effect from the date of assent to the Act concerned or a later date.	22 23 24					
		(3)	To the extent to which any such provision takes effect from a date that is earlier than the date of its publication in the Gazette, the provision does not operate so as:	25 26 27					
			(a) to affect, in a manner prejudicial to any person (other than the State or an authority of the State), the rights of that person existing before the date of its publication, or	28 29 30					

	(b) to impose liabilities on any person (other than the State or an authority of the State) in respect of anything done or omitted to be done before the date of its publication.	1 2 3
Part 2	Provisions consequent on enactment of	2
	Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation	5
	Amendment Act 2003	6
2 Appo	pintment of inspectors	7
	An inspector appointed under section 21P before its repeal by	8
	the Human Tissue and Anatomy Legislation Amendment Act	9
	2003 and whose appointment was in force under that section	10
	immediately before that repeal is taken to have been	11
	appointed under section 33A	12

Scł	nedule 3	Amendment of other Acts (Section 5)	1 2		
3.1	Coroners	s Act 1980 No 27	3		
[1]	Section 48 coroner	8 Post mortem or other examination may be ordered by	4 5		
	Insert after	section 48 (1):	6		
	(1A)	The purpose of the post mortem examination, or other examination or test, is to assist in the investigation of any of the following matters, subject to any limitations specified in the coroner's order:	7 8 9 10		
		(a) the identity of the deceased person,	11		
		(b) the date and place of death of the deceased person,	12		
		(c) the manner or cause of death of the deceased person.	13		
[2]	Section 48 of kin	BA Objection to post mortem examination by senior next	14 15		
	Insert after	section 48A (8):	16		
	(9)	A senior next of kin of a deceased person may, by instrument in writing, authorise another person to exercise his or her functions as senior next of kin under this section.			
	(10)	In such a case, the person so authorised:	20		
		(a) may make a request referred to in subsection (1) if a copy of his or her authority to exercise the functions of the senior next of kin is provided to the coroner or assistant coroner concerned with that request, and	21 22 23 24		
		(b) is taken, for the purposes of this section (other than subsection (9)), to be the senior next of kin of the deceased person.	25 26 27		

[3]	Sec	tion 4	8AA			1
	Inse	rt aftei	section	on 48 <i>A</i>	Λ:	2
4	AA8	Rete	ention	and u	ise of human tissue	3
		(1)	or te	est, und use of ne follo an in	or a post mortem examination, or other examination ler section 48 or 49 is taken to authorise the removal tissue from the body of the deceased person for any owing purposes: nvestigation by a coroner of the person's death, avestigation of any offence,	4 5 6 7 8 9
			(c)	proc	eedings for any offence.	10
		(2)	Such (a)	the r	rder is also taken to authorise the following: retention of small samples of any of the following e removed from the body of the deceased person	11 12 13 14
				unae (i)	er subsection (1): bodily fluid,	15
				(ii)	skin, hair and nails,	16
				(iii)	any other tissue retained in the form of a tissue slide or tissue block which enables microscopic examination of the tissue,	17 18 19
				(iv)	such tissue as may be directed in writing by a coroner in any particular case,	20 21
			(b)		use of any sample retained under paragraph (a) for of the following purposes:	22 23
				(i)	the exercise by a coroner of his or her functions under this Act,	24 25
				(ii)	an investigation of any offence,	26
				(iii)	any legal proceedings (whether or not in connection with an offence),	27 28
				(iv)	a purpose authorised by an authority given under the <i>Human Tissue Act 1983</i> that is sufficient authority to use the tissue for that purpose,	29 30 31
				(v)	in relation to a sample referred to in paragraph (a) (iii), any medical, therapeutic or scientific purpose,	32 33 34
				(vi)	such other purposes as may be prescribed by the regulations.	35 36

	(3)	This section does not limit the rights of a coroner under section 24 and does not affect anything authorised by or under any other law.	1 2 3
	(4)	In this section:	4
		<i>tissue</i> includes an organ, or part, of a human body and a substance extracted from, or from a part of, a human body (including bodily fluid).	5 6 7
[4]	Section 5	3AA	8
	Insert afte	r section 53:	9
5	3AA Gen	peral	10
		In the performance of any post mortem examination, or other examination or test, under this Part in respect of the remains of a person, regard is to be had to the dignity of the deceased person.	11 12 13 14
3.2	Human 1	Tissue Act 1983 No 164	15
[1]	Section 3	3C Provisions relating to exercise of powers	16
	Omit "Sea	erch Warrants Act 1985" from section 33C (3).	17
	Insert ins 2002".	tead "Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act	18 19
[2]	Section 3	3G Search warrants	20
	Omit "aut (2).	horised justice" wherever occurring from section 33G (1) and	21 22
	Insert inste	ead "authorised officer".	23
[3]	Section 3	3G (3)	24
	Omit "Par	t 3 of the Search Warrants Act 1985".	25
		ead "Division 4 of Part 5 of the Law Enforcement (Powers and ilities) Act 2002".	26 27

[4]	Section 33G (4)					
	Omit the subsection. Insert instead:	2				
	(4) In this section:	3				
	authorised officer has the same meaning as it has in the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002.	4 5				
3.3	Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002 No 103	6				
	Schedule 2 Search warrants under other Acts	7				
	Insert in alphabetical order of Acts "Human Tissue Act 1983, section 33G".	8				
3.4	Search Warrants Act 1985 No 37	10				
	Section 10 Definitions	11				
	Insert in the definition of <i>search warrant</i> in alphabetical order of Acts:	12				
	section 33G of the Human Tissue Act 1983,	13				

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