

[Act 1998 No 9]



New South Wales

# Judicial Officers Amendment Bill 1998

## Explanatory note

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

### Overview of Bill

The *Judicial Officers Act 1986* currently provides that the Judicial Commission is to consist of six official members and two appointed members. Of the two appointed members, one is to be a person who, in the opinion of the Minister, has high standing in the community.

The object of this Bill is to amend the Act so as to increase by two the number of such community members on the Commission and to provide that community members are to be nominated following consultation by the Minister with the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

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## Outline of provisions

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

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on a day to be appointed by proclamation.

**Clause 3** is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Judicial Officers Act 1986* set out in Schedule 1.

## **Schedule 1     Amendments**

Schedule 1[1]–[3] amend section 5 of the Principal Act as outlined in the Overview above. Schedule 1 [5] makes a consequential amendment to Schedule 2 to the Principal Act relating to the quorum of the Commission. Schedule 1 [4] and [6] contain provisions of a savings and transitional nature.