Act No. 71

COAL MINES REGULATION (WORKERS COMPENSATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1987

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Bill is cognate with the Workers Compensation Bill 1987.

The object of this Bill is to increase the penalty for certain offences under the Coal Mines Regulation Act 1982 generally related to safety in the work place.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides that, with minor exceptions, the proposed Act will commence on a day appointed by the Governor-in-Council.

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

Schedule 1 contains amendments which double the monetary penalty for the following offences under the Principal Act:

section 147 (allowing tourist or educational activities in a mine without a permit—increased penalty of \$1,000)

section 166 (general penalty provision—increased penalty of \$4,000, or \$10,000 if a corporation)