

Act No. 201

**MISCELLANEOUS ACTS (HERITAGE AUTHORITIES)
AMENDMENT BILL 1987**

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The object of this Bill is to amend certain Acts with respect to the members and procedure of the Archives Authority, the Australian Museum Trust, the Library Council and the Trustees of the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides that the proposed Act will commence on a day to be appointed by proclamation.

Clause 3 gives effect to the amendments contained in Schedule 1.

Clause 4 provides that the existing appointments to the various statutory authorities are not affected by the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 amends—

- (a) the Archives Act 1960 to enable the Minister to nominate the Chairperson of the Archives Authority (instead of the Governor appointing the Chairperson);
- (b) the Australian Museum Trust Act 1975—
 - (i) to enable the Minister to nominate the President of the Australian Museum Trust (instead of the trustees electing the President); and
 - (ii) to increase the quorum for a meeting of the Trust from 5 to 6 trustees;
- (c) the Library Act 1939—
 - (i) to reduce the number of members of the Library Council from 13 to 10;
 - (ii) to enable the Minister to nominate the President of the Council (instead of the members electing the President); and
 - (iii) to increase the quorum for a meeting of the Council from 5 to 6 members; and
- (d) the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences Act 1945—

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- (i) to increase the number of trustees of the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences from 7 to 9;
 - (ii) to enable the Minister to nominate the President of the Trustees (instead of the members electing the President); and
 - (iii) to increase the quorum for a meeting of the Trustees from 4 to 5 trustees.
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