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Transport Administration Amendment (Closures of Railway Lines in Northern Rivers) Bill 2020

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Transport Administration Act 1988* to authorise the closure of railway lines between Crabbes Creek and Condong and between Casino and Bentley in the Northern Rivers area and to retain the land in public ownership.

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 the date of assent to the proposed Act.

Clause 3 amends Schedule 7 to the *Transport Administration Act 1988* to give effect to the object set out in the Overview above.



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No. , 2020

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Transport Administration Act 1988* to authorise the closure of railway lines between Crabbes Creek and Condong and between Casino and Bentley and to retain the land in public ownership.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts—	1
1 Name of Act	2
This Act is the <i>Transport Administration Amendment (Closures of Railway Lines in Northern Rivers) Act 2020</i> .	3 4
2 Commencement	5
This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.	6
3 Amendment of Transport Administration Act 1988 No 109	7
Schedule 7 Savings, transitional and other provisions	8
Insert at the end of the Schedule—	9
Part 31 Provisions authorising closure of railway lines in Northern Rivers	10 11
228 Closure of railway lines from Crabbes Creek to Condong and from Casino to Bentley	12 13
(1) For the purposes of section 99A, a rail infrastructure owner is authorised to close the whole or any part of the railway line that runs from—	14 15
(a) Crabbes Creek (Rail KM 909.95) to Condong (Rail KM 938.64), and	16 17
(b) Old Casino Station Precinct, Casino (Rail KM 806.9) to Back Creek Bridge, Bentley (Rail KM 819.7).	18 19
Note. Rail KM is rail kilometrage and measures distance in kilometres from Central Station, Sydney.	20 21
(2) Accordingly, a rail infrastructure owner authorised under this clause may sell or otherwise dispose of the land concerned and remove the railway tracks and other works concerned.	22 23 24
229 Land to remain in public ownership	25
(1) The land referred to in clause 228 may be sold or otherwise disposed of only if the transferee is—	26 27
(a) a transport authority within the meaning of section 94, or	28
(b) a subsidiary of a transport authority, or	29
(c) a State owned corporation, or	30
(d) the Crown or a person or body acting on behalf of the Crown, or	31
(e) a local council.	32
(2) This clause extends to the sale or disposal of the land by a person or body specified in subclause (1).	33 34
(3) This clause does not apply to a lease of the land.	35

230 Application

This Part extends to action taken by a rail infrastructure owner before
the commencement of this Part.

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