

## LEGAL PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT.

Act No. 20, 1954.

Elizabeth II,  
No. 20, 1954.

An Act to provide that the annual practising fee payable by solicitors may be prescribed by regulation; to make further provision with respect to the admission of persons as students-at-law and as barristers; for these purposes to amend the Legal Practitioners Act, 1898, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 23rd April, 1954.]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title,  
citation  
and com-  
mencement.

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the "Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Act, 1954."

(2) The Legal Practitioners Act, 1898, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Legal Practitioners Act, 1898-1954.

(3) (a) Section two of this Act shall commence upon the day on which Her Majesty's assent to this Act is signified.

(b) Section three of this Act shall commence upon a day to be appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

Amendment  
of Act No.  
22, 1898.

Sec. 69.  
(Fee.)

**2.** The Legal Practitioners Act, 1898, as amended by subsequent Acts, is amended—

(a) by inserting in paragraph (a) of section sixty-nine after the words "two guineas" the words "or such other sum as may from time to time be prescribed in lieu thereof by regulations made under the authority of this Act";

(b) by inserting in paragraph (b) of the same section after the words "one guinea" the words "or such other sum as may from time to time be prescribed in lieu thereof by regulations made under the authority of this Act."

**3.**

3. The Legal Practitioners Act, 1898, as amended by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

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Further  
amendment  
of Act No.  
22, 1898.  
Substituted  
sec. 6.

- (a) by omitting section six and by inserting in lieu thereof the following section:—

6. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Part of this Act, the Board may make rules—

Rules for  
admission.

- (a) with respect to the admission of persons as—

- (i) students-at-law;  
(ii) barristers;

- (b) without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (a) of this subsection, with respect to the examination in such branches of knowledge as the Board thinks fit of candidates for admission as—

- (i) students-at-law;  
(ii) barristers.

(2) Rules made by the Board under subsection one of this section shall—

- (a) be published in the Gazette;  
(b) take effect from the date of publication or from a later date to be specified in the rules;  
(c) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen sitting days after publication if Parliament is then in session, and if not, then within fourteen sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sitting days after the rules have been laid before such House disallowing any rule or part thereof, such rule or part shall thereupon cease to have effect.

(b)

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Sec. 8.

(Exemption  
of university  
graduates  
and certain  
under-  
graduates.

(b) by omitting subsection two of section eight and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—

(2) No candidate who has matriculated in the University of Sydney and has passed two annual examinations in that University shall be required to pass any examination under this Part of this Act other than an examination in law.

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