



**MINORS CONTRACTS ACT 1988**

**No. 26 of 1988**

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**AN ACT to provide that in certain cases contracts made by minors are enforceable against guarantors.**

**[Royal Assent 29 September 1988]**

**BE** it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

**1**—This Act may be cited as the *Minors Contracts Act 1988*. Short title.

**2**—This Act shall commence on the day on which it receives Commencement. the Royal assent.

Interpretation.

3—In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

“minor” means a person under 18 years of age;

“relevant date” means the date on which a minor enters into a contract.

Enforceability of  
minors contracts  
against  
guarantors in  
certain cases.

4—(1) Where a person, other than a minor, guarantees the performance by a minor of his obligations under any contract, the guarantee is enforceable against the guarantor to the same extent as if the minor had not been a minor at the relevant date.

(2) This section does not operate to render a guarantee enforceable if it would, apart from this section, be unenforceable otherwise than by reasons of the minority of the person whose obligations are guaranteed.

Repeals.

5—The *Infants' Relief Act 1875* is repealed.