

Education Acts (Teachers) Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 sets out the purpose of the Act.

Clause 2 provides for part of the Act to come into operation on the day it receives the Royal Assent. Sections 5 and 6 come into operation retrospectively. The remainder comes into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.

Clause 3 inserts the Division 5—Standards Council of the Teaching Profession into the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 4 substitutes new sections 64 to 64^{AF}, establishing Merit Protection Boards, into the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 5 amends section 45 of the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 6 substitutes a new Part V—Discipline in the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 7 abolishes the Teachers Registration Board.

Clause 8 abolishes the Appointments Boards.

Clause 9 abolishes the Teaching Service Appeals Boards.

Clause 10 abolishes the Teaching Service Disciplinary Boards.

Clause 11 provides that no compensation is payable arising from section 7, 8, 9 or 10.

Clause 12 amends section 15^B of the **Education Act 1958**.

Clause 13 inserts a new section 78 into the **Education Act 1958**.

Clause 14 inserts a new section 77^A into the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 15 amends the definitions in section 2 of the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 16 provides that any appointment into or within the teaching service shall be made by the Director.

Clause 17 amends section 5 of the **Teaching Service Act 1981** to omit a reference to the registration of a teacher and to provide for citizenship requirements for appointment.

Clause 18 makes consequential amendments to the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 19 repeals section 63 of the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 20 inserts new sections 64^{AG} to 64^{AI} into the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 21 amends section 64^A of the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 22 provides for the making of regulations under the **Teaching Service Act 1981** in relation to the Merit Protection Boards.

Clause 23 amends the Schedule to the **Teaching Service Act 1981**.

Clause 24 repeals section 82 (*pa*) of the **Education Act 1958**.

Clause 25 provides for transition of proceedings arising from the abolition of the Teaching Service Appeals Boards or the Teaching Service Disciplinary Boards.

Clause 26 deems a person holding registration from the Teachers Registration Board as meeting the qualification requirements set by the Standards Council of the Teaching Service.

Clause 27 provides for transition of proceedings in relation to the abolition of the Appointments Boards.

Clause 28 limits the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, under section 85 of the **Constitution Act 1975**.