

Education (Teachers) Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 sets out the purposes of the Act.

Clause 2 provides for the Act to come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.

Clause 3 inserts new sections 4A to 4D into the **Teaching Service Act 1981** to apply merit principles to the administration of the Teaching Service and to establish a Merit Protection Board to monitor the implementation of those principles.

Clause 4 abolishes the Appointments Boards and provides for appointments in the Teaching Service to be made by the Chief General Manager, Department of School Education.

Clause 5 amends section 65 (1) of the **Teaching Service Act 1981** to provide that all appointments are made on the basis of merit.

Clause 6 restructures the Teachers Registration Board.

Clause 7 amends section 52C (1) of the **Education Act 1958** to restate the functions of the Teachers Registration Board.

Clause 8 provides for teacher registration fees to be prescribed by regulation.

Clause 9 enables the registration fee for non-government schools to be prescribed by regulation.

