

La Trobe University (Amendment) Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

PART 1—PRELIMINARY

Clause 1 sets out the main purpose of the Act.

Clause 2 provides for the Act to come into operation on 1 January 1994.

PART 2—AMENDMENTS TO ACADEMIC STRUCTURE OF LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

Clause 3 extends the definition of “Diplomate” in the **La Trobe University Act 1964** to include holders of other awards.

Clause 4 amends the objects of the University to include provision of other awards.

Clause 5 amends section 9 (4) of the **La Trobe University Act 1964** to extend provisions for removal of members of Council elected by students who cease to be students of the University, to cover students undertaking programs leading to other awards.

Clause 6 amends provisions dealing with vacation of office by members of Council.

Clause 7 provides for granting of diplomas or other awards to students of the University.

Clause 8 provides for the Academic Board to consider matters relating to diplomas or other awards.

Clause 9 repeals Division 5 of Part I of the **La Trobe University Act 1964**.

Clause 10 amends section 30 of the **La Trobe University Act 1964** to provide for making of statutes to provide for the organisation of the University.

Clause 11 makes consequential amendments to provide for other awards, delete references to schools, and other matters.

PART 3—MERGER

Clause 12 provides that “College” in this Part means La Trobe University College of Northern Victoria.

Clause 13 dissolves the College and abolishes its Council, and transfers its assets and liabilities and rights and obligations and other matters to La Trobe University.

Clause 14 provides that gifts, trusts etc. in favour of the College take effect as if made in favour of La Trobe University.

Clause 15 provides for members of staff employed by the College or its Council to become members of the staff of La Trobe University.

Clause 16 provides for students of the College to become students of La Trobe University.

Clause 17 provides for indemnification of former members of the Council of the College.

Clause 18 provides for certain land used by the College to vest in La Trobe University.

Clause 19 provides for amendments of the Register under the **Transfer of Land Act 1958** required because of the operation of this Act.

Clause 20 provides for continuation of the rules of the College as if made as regulations under a statute of La Trobe University.

Clause 21 provides that the Council of the College has the power to act as required for the purposes of the merger with La Trobe University.

PART 4—CONSEQUENTIAL AND OTHER AMENDMENTS

Clause 22 deletes definitions relating to the College which are no longer required.

Clause 23 makes consequential amendments to the Council of the University following the merger, and changes the designation of a person appointed by the Minister in keeping with current administrative arrangements.

Clause 24 repeals sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 22 of the **La Trobe University Act 1964** which are no longer required.

Clause 25 amends the composition of the Academic Board in keeping with amendments to the academic structure of the University and the merger of the College.

Clause 26 repeals section 31A of the **La Trobe University Act 1964** which is no longer required following the merger.

Clause 27 repeals Part 2 of the **La Trobe University Act 1964**.

Clause 28 substitutes “Work and Services Account” for “Loan Fund” in section 32 (3) of the **La Trobe University Act 1964**.