

Melbourne Cricket Ground Bill (No 2)

NOTES ON CLAUSES

Clause 1 cites the short title of the Act and states that it shall be read and construed as one with several Acts relating to the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Clause 2 provides for the Act to come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Clause 3 deals with the construction of floodlight towers and operation of the floodlights affixed to those towers and the conditions which apply to their construction and operation.

Sub-clause (1) authorizes the Trustees of the Melbourne Cricket Ground to construct floodlight towers on the Melbourne Cricket Ground and operate floodlights affixed to those towers.

Sub-clause (2) stipulates the conditions which shall apply to the construction of the floodlight towers.

Sub-clause (3) empowers the Governor in Council to determine the day or days on which the floodlights may be operated and the activities for which the floodlights may be operated.

Sub-clause (4) provides for the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands to consent to a floodlight being operated on any day for the purpose of aligning, testing, commissioning or repairing the floodlight.

Sub-clause (5) allows floodlights to be operated for the playing of cricket on no more than ten days during the period from 1 November each year until 31 March the following year without the approval of the Governor in Council.

Sub-clause (6) stipulates certain conditions pertaining to the entry into, exit from and parking in Yarra Park Reserve on days when the floodlights are being used.

Clause 4 provides that no action shall lie against any person by reason only of the construction of the floodlight towers and the operation of the floodlights affixed to those towers.

Clause 5: In respect of the land described in the Schedule to the Bill and forming part of Yarra Park Reserve—

- (a) revokes the Order in Council which reserves the land for a public park;
- (b) revokes the Crown grant in the names of the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands and the City of Melbourne;
- (c) deems the land to be permanently reserved under section 4 (1) of the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978* as a site for the Melbourne Cricket Ground; and
- (d) includes the land in the Order in Council which reserves certain land as a site for the Melbourne Cricket Ground and in the Crown grant to the trustees of that Ground.

Sub-clause (3) authorizes and directs the Registrar of Titles to make the necessary amendments to the Crown grants.

Clause 6 provides that no compensation shall be payable by the Crown in respect of any act matter or thing done or arising out of this Act.

Clause 7 amends section 9 (1) (a) of the *Melbourne Cricket Ground Act 1933* to give power to the Trustees of the Melbourne Cricket Ground to make regulations determining the hours during which floodlights may be used at that Ground.

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The Schedule to the Bill contains a plan which shows by hatching the land which is to be excised from Yarra Park Reserve and added to the Melbourne Cricket Ground Reserve.