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1981, No. 90

An Act to amend the Radiation Protection Act 1965

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BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title and commencement—(1) This Act may be cited as the Radiation Protection Amendment Act 1981, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Radiation Protection Act 1965 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

(2) This Act shall come into force on the 1st day of April 1982.

2. Interpretation—(1) Section 2 (1) of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from the definition of the term “irradiating apparatus” the expression “0.25 millirem”, and substituting the expression “2.5 microsieverts”.

(2) Section 2 (1) of the principal Act is hereby further amended by omitting the definition of the term “radioactive material”, and substituting the following definition:

“‘Radioactive material’ means any article containing a radioactive substance giving it a specific radioactivity exceeding 100 kilobecquerels per kilogram and a total radioactivity exceeding 3 kilobecquerels.”

3. Licences—(1) Section 16 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection (4), and substituting the following subsection:

“(4) Every licence granted under this section shall, unless previously cancelled under this Act, or unless some earlier expiry date is specified in the licence, continue in force for 1 year from the date on which it commences to have effect, but may from time to time be renewed pursuant to this Act.”

(2) Section 21 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection (4), and substituting the following subsection:

“(4) Every application under this section shall be made at least 28 days before the expiry of the licence in accordance with section 16 (4) of this Act, or within such further time as may be allowed by the Director-General in any particular case.”

This Act is administered in the Department of Health.
