

Western Australia

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment (Smoke Alarms) Bill 2007

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions)
Amendment (Smoke Alarms) Bill 2007**

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1960.*

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

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1. Short title

This is the *Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment (Smoke Alarms) Act 2007*.

2. The Act amended

5 The amendment in this Act is to the *Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1960**.

[* *Reprint 7 as at 16 September 2005.*

10 For subsequent amendments see *Western Australian Legislation Information Tables for 2006, Table 1, and Act No. 77 of 2006.*]

3. Part IX inserted

After Part VIII the following Part is inserted —

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Part IX — Smoke alarms in buildings

15 **246. Application of this Part**

- (1) This Part does not apply to a building that is in a district or part of a district to which Part XV is declared under section 373(2) not to apply.
- (2) This Part does not apply to a building to which Part XV is prevented by section 373(3) or (3a) from applying.
- (3) The application of this Part is not limited to buildings constructed after, or on which building work is done after, the coming into operation of the *Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment (Smoke Alarms) Act 2007.*

20 **247. Local laws may require smoke alarms**

- (1) Local laws may be made under the *Local Government Act 1995* for the purpose of ensuring that, in prescribed

circumstances, a prescribed building has any smoke alarm that is needed to satisfy prescribed requirements.

- (2) The power given by subsection (1) includes the power to —
- 5 (a) impose on a person an obligation for the purpose of ensuring that any smoke alarm needed is fitted or maintained;
 - 10 (b) in circumstances in which a person has failed to fit or maintain a smoke alarm in accordance with an obligation imposed under this section —
 - (i) impose on another person an obligation to fit or maintain a smoke alarm;
 - (ii) authorise a local government to do things reasonably necessary to ensure that a smoke alarm is fitted or maintained;
 - 15 (c) give a person who fits or maintains a smoke alarm in accordance with an obligation imposed under paragraph (b)(i) or as authorised under paragraph (b)(ii) a right to recover the amount of the reasonably incurred costs as if it were for a debt due from a prescribed person.

248. Regulations may require smoke alarms

25 Regulations under the *Local Government Act 1995* section 9.60 may deal with a matter specified in section 247 as if that matter were specified in Schedule 9.1 to that Act.

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