

Western Australia

Legal Aid Commission Amendment Bill 2005

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(As amended in Committee)

Legal Aid Commission Amendment Bill 2005

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Legal Aid Commission Act 1976*.

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

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1. Short title

This is the *Legal Aid Commission Amendment Act 2005*.

2. Commencement

5 This Act comes into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

3. The Act amended

The amendments in this Act are to the *Legal Aid Commission Act 1976**.

[* Reprint 4 as at 20 May 2005.]

10 **4. Section 37 amended**

(1) Section 37(2) is amended by deleting “subsection (4c)” and inserting instead —

“ subsections (4c) and (4d) ”.

(2) After section 37(4c) the following subsections are inserted —

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(4d) The Attorney General may, by notice in writing, authorise a legal aid authority to provide legal aid to a person specified in the notice, or to a person in a class of persons specified in the notice, without making a decision as to whether the person is a person referred to in subsection (2)(a).

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(4e) The Attorney General may, by notice in writing, vary or revoke an authorisation given under subsection (4d).

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(4f) A notice under subsection (4d) or (4e) is to be given to the Director.

(4g) The annual report submitted by the accountable authority of the Commission under the *Financial*

Administration and Audit Act 1985 section 66 is to include particulars of —

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- (a) the number of notices of authorisation given to the Director under subsection (4f); and
 - (b) the amount of monies paid out of the Fund as a result of those authorisations.

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