

CHILD SUPPORT (ADOPTION OF LAWS) AMENDMENT BILL 1999
Explanatory Notes

Clause 1 Short title

Short title of the Act.

Clause 2 Commencement

The Act will come into operation on Assent.

Clause 3 The Act amended

Amendments contained in this Bill are amendments to the *Child Support (Adoption of Laws) Act 1990 (WA)*.

This Act has been amended on one previous occasion, in 1994, to adopt changes then effected by the Commonwealth to its child support legislation.

Clause 4 Purposes of Act

The purpose of the Bill is to adopt a range of changes made to the *Child Support (Registration and Collection) Act 1988 (Clth)* and the *Child Support (Assessment) Act 1989 (Clth)* which have been enacted since 1994 when Western Australia last adopted changes to the Commonwealth child support legislation.

Clause 5 Section 3 amended

Section 3 of the *Child Support (Adoption of Laws) Act 1990 (WA)* is amended by inserting "on 1 July 1999" in lieu of "on 23 June 1993" in section 3(a) of the Act. This is the date of commencement of operation of the most recent Commonwealth amendments to the *Child Support (Registration and Collection) Act 1988 (Clth)* and the *Child Support (Assessment) Act 1989 (Clth)*.

Clause 6 Section 4 amended

Section 4 of the *Child Support (Adoption of Laws) Act 1990 (WA)* is amended by inserting "on 1 July 1999" in lieu of "on 1 July 1993" in section 4(b) of the Act. This is the date of commencement of operation of the most recent Commonwealth amendments to the *Child Support (Registration and Collection) Act 1988 (Clth)* and the *Child Support (Assessment) Act 1989 (Clth)*.