

Western Australia

Constitution Amendment (Recognition of Aboriginal People) Bill 2015

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(Introduced by Ms Josie Farrer, MLA)

**Constitution Amendment (Recognition of
Aboriginal People) Bill 2015**

A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Constitution Act 1889*.

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

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1 **1. Short title**

2 This is the *Constitution Amendment (Recognition of Aboriginal*
3 *People) Act 2015*.

4 **2. Commencement**

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

7 **3. Act amended**

8 This Act amends the *Constitution Act 1889*.

9 **4. Preamble amended**

10 (1) In the Preamble delete “contained:” and insert:

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12 contained;

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14 (2) At the end of the Preamble insert:

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16 And whereas the Legislature of the Colony, as previously
17 constituted, was replaced through this Act with a Parliament,
18 to consist of the Queen, the Legislative Council and the
19 Legislative Assembly with the members of both Houses
20 chosen by the people, and, as constituted, continued as the
21 Parliament of the Colony until Western Australia’s accession
22 as an Original State of the Commonwealth of Australia
23 in 1901 and thereafter has been the Parliament of the State;

24 And whereas the Parliament resolves to acknowledge the
25 Aboriginal people as the First People of Western Australia
26 and traditional custodians of the land, the said Parliament
27 seeks to effect a reconciliation with the Aboriginal people of
28 Western Australia:

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1 **5. Section 42 deleted**

2 Delete section 42.

3 **6. Section 75 amended**

4 In section 75 delete the definition of *Aborigines Protection*
5 *Board*.

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