

PUBLIC HEALTH (AMENDMENT) ACT.

New South Wales



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Act No. 39, 1970.

An Act to require the notification of certain dangerous diseases; for this purpose and for other purposes to amend the Public Health Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 17th September, 1970.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1970".

Short title and commencement.

(2)

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No. 39, 1970 (2) This Act shall commence upon a day to be appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

Amendment
of Act No.
30, 1902.

2. The Public Health Act, 1902, is amended—

Sec. 1.
(Short title
and
division.)

(a) by inserting in section one next after the matter relating to Part III the words "PART IIIA.— DANGEROUS DISEASES—ss. 50B–50E.";

Sec. 29.
(Notification
of infectious
diseases.)

(b) (i) by omitting from subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1A) of section twenty-nine the words ", leprosy or puerperal infection" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or leprosy";

(ii) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "or puerperal infection";

New
Part IIIA.

(c) by inserting next after Part III the following new Part :—

PART IIIA.

DANGEROUS DISEASES.

Interpre-
tation.

50B. In this Part, except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires—

"chief executive officer", in relation to a hospital that is—

(a) referred to in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of the definition of "hospital" in this subsection— means the person who is responsible for the executive management of the hospital, by whatever title he is known;

(b)

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(b) referred to in paragraph (d) of that definition—means the manager, No. 39, 1970
 within the meaning of the Private Hospitals Act, 1908, of the hospital;
 or

(c) referred to in paragraph (e) of that definition—means the person specified or described, in relation to the hospital, in the regulations;

“dangerous disease” means a disease declared to be a dangerous disease under section 50c of this Act;

“hospital” means—

- (a) a hospital mentioned in the Second or Third Schedule of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929;
- (b) a hospital conducted by the Department of Public Health;
- (c) an admission centre, authorised hospital or mental hospital within the meaning of the Mental Health Act, 1958;
- (d) a private hospital or rest home within the meaning of the Private Hospitals Act, 1908; or
- (e) such other institutions as may be prescribed.

50c. The Governor may, by proclamation in the Gazette, declare that any disease therein named or described is a dangerous disease, and he may in like manner revoke or vary any such declaration. Powers of Governor.

50d. The chief executive officer of a hospital shall, in the prescribed manner, in or to the effect of the prescribed form and at the prescribed times, Notification of dangerous diseases.

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furnish a return to the Director-General of Public Health setting out the prescribed particulars in respect of the prescribed class or classes of persons who are or have been suffering from a dangerous disease and who are or have been patients of, or attending, the hospital.

Penalty : Fifty dollars.

Regulations.

50E. (1) The Governor may on the recommendation of the Board make regulations for or with respect to prescribing all matters which by this Part are required or permitted to be prescribed or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Part.

(2) The regulations may impose a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars for any breach thereof, or, where the breach is a continuing one, not exceeding twenty dollars for every day that the breach is continued.

Sec. 100.
(Method of
service.)

(d) by omitting from paragraph (c) of subsection one of section one hundred the word "registered".
