

**AMBULANCE SERVICES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1979,  
No. 155**

**New South Wales**



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**Act No. 155, 1979.**

An Act to amend the Ambulance Services Act, 1976, with respect to the personal liability of ambulance officers. [Assented to, 10th December, 1979.]

*Ambulance Services (Amendment).*

**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 :—

Short title.      **1.** This Act may be cited as the "Ambulance Services (Amendment) Act, 1979".

Amendment of Act No. 72, 1976.      **2.** The Ambulance Services Act, 1976, is amended—

Sec. 5. (Powers, etc., of the Commission.)      (a) by inserting after section 5 (2) the following subsection :—

(3) The Commission is, to the extent that it is not or has not been authorised by or under this or any other Act to do so, hereby authorised and deemed always to have been authorised to protect persons from injury or death, whether or not those persons are or were sick or injured.

Sec. 6. (Honorary ambulance officers.)      (b) by omitting from section 6 (2) (a) the words "provision of ambulance services" and by inserting instead the words "powers, authorities, duties and functions of the Commission specified in section 5";

Sec. 14A.      (c) by inserting after section 14 the following section :—

Exculpation from certain liability.      14A. (1) An officer, employee or servant of the Commission or honorary ambulance officer is not liable for any injury or damage caused by him before or after the commencement of the Ambulance Services (Amendment) Act, 1979, in the carrying out by him, in good faith, of any of his duties relating to—

(a) the provision of ambulance services; or

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(b) the protection of persons from injury or death, whether or not those persons are or were sick or injured.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) affects section 13 (8) of the Health Commission Act, 1972.

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