

## New South Wales

# **Education Amendment (Ethics) Bill** 2010

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I certify that this public bill, which originated in the Legislative Assembly, has finally passed the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Legislative Assembly, Sydney, , 2010



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Act No , 2010

An Act to amend the *Education Act 1990* in relation to ethics education at government schools.

I have examined this bill and find it to correspond in all respects with the bill as finally passed by both Houses.

Assistant Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

#### The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

#### 1 Name of Act

This Act is the Education Amendment (Ethics) Act 2010.

#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

#### 3 Amendment of Education Act 1990 No 8

#### Section 33A

Insert after section 33:

## 33A Special education in ethics as secular alternative to special religious education

- (1) Special education in ethics is allowed as a secular alternative to special religious education at government schools.
- (2) If the parent of a child objects to the child receiving special religious education, the child is entitled to receive special education in ethics, but only if:
  - (a) it is reasonably practicable for special education in ethics to be made available to the child at the government school, and
  - (b) the parent requests that the child receive special education in ethics.
- (3) A government school cannot be directed (by the Minister or otherwise) not to make special education in ethics available at the school.