



**AMBULANCE SERVICE AMENDMENT ACT (No. 2)
1995**

No. 59 of 1995

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AN ACT to amend the *Ambulance Service Act 1982*

[Royal Assent 13 October 1995]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

Short title

1—This Act may be cited as the *Ambulance Service Amendment Act (No. 2) 1995*.

Commencement

2—(1) This Act, except sections 4, 5 (c), (d) and (e) commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

(2) Sections 4, 5 (c), (d) and (e) commence on 1 July 1996.

Principal Act

3—In this Act, the *Ambulance Service Act 1982** is referred to as the Principal Act.

Section 3 amended (Interpretation)

4—Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after the definition of “motor vehicle” the following definition:—

“private medical establishment” means a private medical establishment within the meaning of the *Hospitals Act 1918*;

Section 36 amended (Fees for ambulance services)

5—Section 36 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—

(a) by inserting in subsection (1) “the *Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986* of the Commonwealth” after “1973,”;

(b) by inserting after subsection (1) the following subsection:—

(1A) The Minister may enter into an arrangement or agreement with the Minister responsible for the administration of the *Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986* of the Commonwealth in relation to the payment of fees for ambulance services provided under this Act.

(c) by inserting in subsection (2) after paragraph (b) the following paragraph:—

(c) a private medical establishment licensed as a hospital under the *Hospitals Act 1918*; or

* No. 105 of 1982. Amended by Nos. 1 and 49 of 1983, No. 29 of 1984, Nos. 31 and 34 of 1985, Nos. 22 and 105 of 1987, No. 5 of 1990, Nos. 43 and 46 of 1991, No. 68 of 1994 and No. 41 of 1995.

(d) by inserting after subsection (2) the following subsections:—

(2A) A fee determined in accordance with the scale of fees prescribed is payable for—

- (a) the return conveyance of a patient from a hospital or institution referred to in subsection (2) to a place at which diagnostic or other health services are provided to the patient; and
- (b) the conveyance of a patient from a hospital referred to in subsection (2) (c) to any other place.

(2B) The Director is to waive all or part of a fee payable under this section if—

- (a) the conveyance is of a newborn child up to and including the age of 28 days; or
- (b) the Director is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so after taking into account any matter determined by the Tasmanian Ambulance Clinical Council.

(e) by inserting in subsection (4) “or (2A)” after “(2)”.

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House of Assembly on 27 June 1995
Legislative Council on 7 July 1995]*

