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# **Transplantation and Anatomy Act** 1978

An Act to make provision for and in relation to the removal of human tissues for transplantation, for post-mortem examinations, for the definition of death, for the regulation of schools of anatomy, and for related purposes

#### Part 1 Preliminary

#### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Transplantation and Anatomy Act* 1978.

#### 4 Interpretation for Act

(1) In this Act:

Note A definition applies except so far as the contrary intention appears (see *Legislation Act 2001*, s 155).

child means a person who—

- (a) has not attained the age of 18 years; and
- (b) is not married.

*coroner* means a person who is a coroner for the ACT.

designated officer, in relation to a hospital, means a person appointed under section 5 to be a designated officer for that hospital.

enrolled nurse—see the Nurses Act 1988.

*medical practitioner* means a person who is registered or licensed under a law of a State or Territory relating to the registration or licensing of medical practitioners.

#### next of kin means—

- (a) in relation to a deceased child—a person referred to in the definition of *senior available next of kin*, paragraph (a) (i), (ii) or (iii); and
- (b) in relation to any other deceased person—a person referred to in paragraph (b) (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) of that definition.

non-regenerative tissue means tissue other than regenerative tissue.

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**regenerative tissue** means tissue that, after injury or removal, is replaced in the body of a living person by natural processes of growth or repair.

registered nurse—see the Nurses Act 1988.

#### senior available next of kin means—

- (a) in relation to a deceased child—
  - (i) where a parent of the child is available—a parent of the child; or
  - (ii) where a parent of the child is not available—a brother or sister of the child who has attained the age of 18 years and who is available; or
  - (iii) where no person referred to in subparagraph (i) or (ii) is available—a person who was the guardian of the child immediately before the death of the child and who is available; and
- (b) in relation to any other deceased person—
  - (i) where the person, immediately before his or her death, was married and the person who was then his or her spouse is available—the person who was his or her spouse; or
  - (ii) where the person, immediately before his or her death, was not married or, if he or she was married, his or her spouse is not available—a son or daughter of the person who has attained the age of 18 years and who is available; or
  - (iii) where no person referred to in subparagraph (i) or (ii) is available but a parent of the person is available—that parent; or
  - (iv) where no person referred to in subparagraph (i), (ii) or (iii) is available—a brother or sister of the person

who has attained the age of 18 years and is available.

*tissue* includes an organ, or part, of a human body or a substance extracted from, or from a part of, the human body.

(2) A reference in this Act to the *transplantation* of tissue includes a reference to the transplantation of any part of the tissue and to the transplantation of a substance obtained from the tissue.

#### 5 Designated officers

- (1) For this Act, the Minister may, by instrument, appoint a medical practitioner to be a designated officer for a hospital conducted by the Territory.
- (2) The persons or body having the control and management of a hospital other than a hospital conducted by the Territory may, by instrument, appoint such persons, being medical practitioners, as those persons or that body consider necessary to be, for this Act, designated officers for that hospital.

# Part 2 Donations of tissue by living persons

#### Division 2.1 Exclusion of certain tissue

#### 6 Meaning of tissue in pt 2

In this part, a reference to *tissue* does not include a reference to foetal tissue, spermatozoa or ova.

#### Division 2.2 Donations by adults

#### 7 Blood transfusions not subject to div 2.2

Nothing in this division prevents the removal in accordance with division 2.5 of blood from the body of a person.

# 8 Consent by adult living donor to removal of regenerative tissue

A person may give his or her consent in writing to the removal from his or her body of specified regenerative tissue (other than blood)—

- (a) for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of another living person; or
- (b) for use for other therapeutic purposes or for medical or scientific purposes.

#### 9 Consent by adult living donor to removal of nonregenerative tissue for transplantation

(1) A person may give his or her consent in writing to the removal from his or her body, at any time after the expiration of 24 hours from the time at which the consent is given, of specified non-regenerative tissue for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of another living person.

(2) A consent given under subsection (1) shall specify the time at which the consent is given.

## 10 Medical practitioner may give certificate in relation to consent

A medical practitioner may certify in writing—

- (a) that the consent in writing of a person, the terms of which consent are set out in the certificate, was given in his or her presence; and
- (b) that he or she explained to the person before the consent was given the nature and effect of the removal from the body of that person of the tissue specified in the consent; and
- (c) that he or she is satisfied—
  - (i) that, at the time the consent was given, the person had attained the age of 18 years; and
  - (ii) that, at that time, the person was of sound mind; and
  - (iii) that the consent was freely given.

#### Division 2.3 Donations from children

#### 11 Blood transfusions not subject to div 2.3

Nothing in this division prevents the removal in accordance with division 2.5 of blood from the body of a child.

#### 12 Reference to parent not to include guardian etc

In this division, a reference to the *parent* of a child does not include a reference to the guardian of a child or to another person standing in loco parentis to the child.

# 13 Removal for transplantation of regenerative tissue from body of child

- (1) A person who is a parent of a child may give his or her consent in writing to the removal from the body of the child of specified regenerative tissue for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of another member of the family of the child or to the body of a relative of the child.
- (2) A medical practitioner may certify in writing—
  - (a) that the consent in writing of a person who is a parent of a child, the terms of which consent are set out in the certificate, was given in his or her presence; and
  - (b) that he or she explained to the person and to the child before the consent was given the nature and effect of the removal from the body of that child of the tissue specified in the consent and the nature of the transplantation of that tissue; and
  - (c) that he or she is satisfied that, at the time the consent was given, the child—
    - (i) understood the nature and effect of the removal of the tissue and the nature of the transplantation; and
    - (ii) was in agreement with the proposed removal and transplantation of tissue.

# 14 Removal for transplantation of non-regenerative tissue from body of child

- (1) A person who is a parent of a child may give his or her consent in writing to the removal from the body of the child, at any time after the expiration of 24 hours from the time at which the consent is given, of specified non-regenerative tissue for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of another member of the family of the child.
- (2) A consent given under subsection (1) shall specify the time at which the consent is given.

- (3) A medical practitioner may certify in writing—
  - (a) that the consents in writing of both persons who are the parents of a child, the terms of which consents are set out in the certificate, were given in his or her presence; and
  - (b) that, before the consents were given—
    - (i) he or she advised those persons and the child that a person who was a member of the family of the child was in danger of dying unless certain non-regenerative tissue was transplanted to the body of that person from the body of another person; and
    - (ii) he or she explained to those persons and the child the nature and effect of the removal from the body of the child of the tissue specified in the consent and the nature of the transplantation of that tissue; and
  - (c) that he or she is satisfied that, at the time the consent was given, the child—
    - (i) understood the nature and effect of the removal of the tissue and the nature of the transplantation; and
    - (ii) was in agreement with the proposed removal and transplantation of tissue.
- (4) Where each of the parents of a child gives a written consent under subsection (1) and a medical practitioner gives a certificate in accordance with subsection (3) in relation to those consents, the medical practitioner who gives that certificate shall refer the matter to the committee appointed in accordance with subsection (5).
- (5) The Minister shall, by instrument in writing, appoint 3 persons of whom—
  - (a) 1 person shall be a judge of the Supreme Court; and
  - (b) 1 person shall be a medical practitioner; and
  - (c) 1 person shall be a social worker or a psychologist;

to be a committee for this section.

- (6) Where only 1 parent of a child is available and that parent gives a written consent under subsection (1), a medical practitioner who gives a certificate in relation to that consent that is restricted in all respects to that parent and the child but is otherwise in accordance with subsection (3) shall refer the matter to the committee appointed in accordance with subsection (5).
- (7) Where a medical practitioner, in accordance with this section, refers a matter to the committee appointed for this section, the committee may, if each of the members of the committee is of the opinion that it is desirable in all the circumstances of the case that the tissue referred to in the consent or consents, as the case may be, be removed from the body of the child for transplantation to the body of the other person therein referred to, authorise, by instrument in writing, the removal of that tissue for the purpose of transplantation to the body of that other person.

#### Division 2.4 Effect of consents and authorities

#### 15 Effect of consent under s 8

Subject to section 19, a document that purports to be a consent given in accordance with section 8 is, where a certificate has been given in accordance with section 10 in relation to that consent, sufficient authority for a medical practitioner, other than the medical practitioner who gave the certificate, to remove the regenerative tissue specified in the consent for the purpose or the use, as the case may be, specified in the consent.

#### 16 Effect of consent under s 9

Subject to section 19, a document that purports to be a consent given in accordance with section 9 is, where a certificate has been given in accordance with section 10 in relation to that consent, sufficient authority for a medical practitioner, other than the medical practitioner who gave the certificate, to remove, at any time after the

expiration of 24 hours from the time specified in the consent to be the time at which the consent was given, the non-regenerative tissue specified in the consent for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of another living person.

#### 16A Effect of consent by guardianship tribunal

Subject to section 19, an order under the *Guardianship and Management of Property Act 1991*, section 70 consenting to the removal of specified non-regenerative tissue from a person for transplantation is sufficient authority for a medical practitioner to remove, at any time after 24 hours after the time the order was made, the non-regenerative tissue specified in the order for the purpose of transplantation of the tissue to the body of another living person.

#### 17 Effect of consent under s 13

Subject to section 19, a document that purports to be a consent given in accordance with section 13 (1) is, where a certificate has been given in accordance with section 13 (2) in relation to that consent, sufficient authority for a medical practitioner, other than the medical practitioner who gave the certificate, to remove the regenerative tissue specified in the consent for the purpose specified in the consent.

#### 18 Effect of authority under s 14

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), an authority given in accordance with section 14 by the committee established for that section is sufficient authority for a medical practitioner, other than the medical practitioner who gave a certificate in accordance with that section, to remove, at any time after the expiration of 24 hours from the time at which the latest relevant consent under section 14 (1) was given, the non-regenerative tissue specified in the authority for the purpose of transplantation to the body of the other person referred to in the authority.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply in relation to a medical practitioner—

- (a) who has been informed—
  - (i) that a consent given under section 14 (1) that is relevant in relation to the authority has been revoked; or
  - (ii) that the child referred to in the consent is no longer in agreement with the removal and transplantation of the tissue specified in the authority; or
- (b) who knows or has reasonable grounds for suspecting that the certificate given in accordance with section 14 that is relevant in relation to the authority contains a false statement.

#### 19 When written consent not sufficient authority

- (1) A document that purports to be a consent given in accordance with section 8, 9 or 13 (1) is not sufficient authority for a medical practitioner to remove tissue if—
  - (a) the medical practitioner has been informed that the consent has been revoked; or
  - (b) the medical practitioner knows or has reasonable grounds for suspecting that a certificate given for section 10 or 13 (2), as the case may be, in relation to that document contains a false statement; or
  - (c) in the case of a document that purports to be a consent given in accordance with section 13 (1)—the medical practitioner has been informed that the child is no longer in agreement with the removal and transplantation of the tissue.
- (2) A document that purports to be an order of the kind mentioned in section 16A is not sufficient authority for a medical practitioner to remove tissue if the medical practitioner has been informed that the order has been revoked.

#### Division 2.5 Blood transfusions

## 20 Consents by persons 16 years old or older to removal of blood

A person, other than a child under 16 years old, who is of sound mind may consent to the removal of blood from his or her body—

- (a) for transfusion to another person; or
- (b) for the purpose of the use of the blood or of any of its constituents for other therapeutic purposes or for medical or scientific purposes.

# 21 Consents to removal of blood from children under 16 years old

The parent of a child under 16 years old may consent to the removal of blood from the body of the child for a purpose referred to in section 20 if—

- (a) a medical practitioner advises that the removal is not likely to be prejudicial to the health of the child; and
- (b) the child agrees to the removal.

# 22 Consent to be sufficient authority for removal of blood at certain places

A consent duly given under section 20 or 21 is sufficient authority for the removal of blood from the body of the person who has given the consent, or from the body of the child of the person who has given the consent, as the case requires—

- (a) at a hospital; or
- (b) at premises, or in a vehicle, used by the Australian Red Cross Society, or by another body approved by the Minister for this division, for the removal of blood from the bodies of persons.

# 23 Administration of blood transfusions to children without parental consent

(1) In this section:

**blood transfusion** means the transfusion of human blood or any of the constituents of human blood.

*child* means a person who has not attained the age of 18 years.

- (2) The operation of removing all or part of the blood of a person and replacing it with blood taken from another person shall, for this section, be deemed to be a blood transfusion.
- (3) Subject to subsection (4), a medical practitioner may administer a blood transfusion to a child without the consent of a parent of the child or a person having authority to consent to the administration of the transfusion if—
  - (a) that medical practitioner and at least 1 other medical practitioner are of the opinion that the child is in danger of dying and that the administration of a blood transfusion to the child is the best means of preventing the death of the child; and
  - (b) the firstmentioned medical practitioner has satisfied himself or herself that the blood to be transfused is compatible with the blood of the child.
- (4) A medical practitioner is not entitled to administer a blood transfusion to a child under subsection (3) unless—
  - (a) a parent of the child, or a person having authority to consent to the administration of the transfusion, upon being asked to consent to the administration of the transfusion, has failed to give his or her consent; or
  - (b) the medical practitioner is of the opinion that, in the circumstances, it is not practicable to delay the administration of the transfusion until the consent of a parent of the child or a person having authority to consent to the administration of the transfusion can be obtained.

- (5) Where a blood transfusion is administered to a child in accordance with this section, the transfusion shall, for all purposes, be deemed to have been administered with the consent of a parent of the child or a person having authority to consent to the administration of the transfusion.
- (6) Nothing in this section relieves a medical practitioner from liability in respect of the administration of a blood transfusion to a child, being a liability to which he or she would have been subject if the transfusion had been administered with the consent of a parent of the child or a person having authority to consent to the administration of the transfusion.

# Division 2.6 Revocation of consent or agreement

#### 24 Revocation of consent

- (1) A reference in this section, in relation to a consent given for this Act, to the *donor* is—
  - (a) in a case in which the consent is given in respect of a child—a reference to the child; and
  - (b) in any other case—a reference to the person who gave the consent.
- (2) A person who gives a consent for this Act may at any time thereafter revoke that consent by indicating, either orally or in writing—
  - (a) where the donor, in relation to that consent, is a patient in a hospital—
    - (i) to a designated officer for that hospital; or
    - (ii) to a medical practitioner who is attending the donor in a professional capacity; or
    - (iii) to a registered nurse or enrolled nurse employed at that hospital; and

(b) where the donor is not a patient in a hospital—to a medical practitioner who is attending the donor in a professional capacity;

that the consent is revoked.

- (3) Where—
  - (a) the donor is a patient in a hospital; and
  - (b) the person who gave the consent for this Act indicates to a person referred to in subsection (2) (a) (ii) or (iii) that the consent is revoked;

that person shall inform a designated officer for that hospital forthwith of the revocation of the consent.

- (4) Where a person revokes his or her consent in accordance with subsection (2)—
  - (a) if the donor is a patient in a hospital at the time of the revocation—the designated officer for the hospital to whom the revocation is communicated in accordance with subsection (2) or (3); or
  - (b) if the donor is not a patient in a hospital at that time—the medical practitioner to whom the revocation is communicated;

shall, if it appears to him or her, after making such inquiries (if any) as are reasonable in the circumstances, that a medical practitioner is proposing to rely on the consent in connection with the removal of tissue from the body of the donor, inform that medical practitioner forthwith that the consent has been revoked.

- (5) Where a consent is revoked, a person who has in his or her possession the instrument of consent shall, upon being informed by a designated officer for a hospital or by the medical practitioner to whom the revocation is communicated that the consent has been revoked, surrender—
  - (a) that instrument; and

(b) if a certificate given in accordance with section 10, 13 (2) or 14 (3) is in his or her possession, being a certificate relating to the consent—that certificate;

to the person who gave the consent.

# 25 Child no longer in agreement with removal and transplantation

- (1) Where a medical practitioner has given a certificate in accordance with section 13 (2) or 14 (3) and the child in relation to whom the certificate has been given informs—
  - (a) if the child is a patient in a hospital—
    - (i) a designated officer for that hospital; or
    - (ii) a medical practitioner who is attending the child in a professional capacity; or
    - (iii) a registered nurse or enrolled nurse employed at that hospital; and
  - (b) if the child is not a patient in a hospital—a medical practitioner who is attending the child in a professional capacity;

that he or she is no longer in agreement with the proposed removal and transplantation of tissue, subsections (2) to (4) have effect.

- (2) Where—
  - (a) the child is a patient in a hospital; and
  - (b) the person whom he or she so informs is a person referred to in subsection (1) (a) (ii) or (iii);

that person shall inform a designated officer for that hospital forthwith that the child is no longer in agreement with the proposed removal and transplantation of tissue.

(3) The designated officer for the hospital or, where the child is not a patient in a hospital, the medical practitioner who is attending the child in a professional capacity shall, if it appears to him or her,

after making such inquiries (if any) as are reasonable in the circumstances, that a medical practitioner is proposing to remove the tissue from the body of the child, inform that medical practitioner forthwith that the child is no longer in agreement with the proposed removal and transplantation of tissue.

- (4) A person who is informed that the child is no longer in agreement with the proposed removal and transplantation of tissue shall, if he or she has in his or her possession the instrument of consent that relates to the removal and transplantation of the tissue, surrender—
  - (a) that instrument; and
  - (b) if the certificate given in accordance with subsection 13 (2) or 14 (3) is in his or her possession—that certificate;

to the person who gave the consent.

#### Part 3 Donations of tissue after death

#### 26 De facto spouses

For this part, where a deceased person is survived by a person who, although not married to the deceased person, was at the time of the death of the deceased person living with the deceased person as that person's husband or wife, as the case may be, on a permanent and bona fide domestic basis, that surviving person shall be taken—

- (a) to have been married to the deceased person; and
- (b) to have been the spouse of the deceased person immediately before his or her death.

# 27 Authority to remove tissue where body of deceased at hospital

- (1) Subject to this part, where it appears to a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, that a deceased person who has died in the hospital or whose dead body has been brought into the hospital—
  - (a) had, during his or her lifetime, expressed the wish for, or consented to, the removal after his or her death of tissue from his or her body—
    - (i) for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of a living person; or
    - (ii) for the purpose of the use of the tissue for other therapeutic purposes or for medical or scientific purposes; and
  - (b) had not withdrawn the wish or revoked the consent;

the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person for that purpose.

- (2) Subject to this part, where it appears to a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to a deceased person who has died in the hospital or whose dead body has been brought into the hospital, that—
  - (a) the designated officer is not authorised by subsection (1) to give an authority in respect of that person; and
  - (b) the deceased person had not, during his or her lifetime, expressed an objection to the removal of tissue from his or her body; and
  - (c) the senior available next of kin of the deceased person has not objected to the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person;

the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person for any of the purposes referred to in subsection (1) (a).

- (3) Where a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, is unable to ascertain the existence or whereabouts of the next of kin of the deceased person, subsection (2) applies as if paragraph (c) were omitted.
- (4) The senior available next of kin of a person may make it known to a designated officer at any time when the person is unconscious before death that he or she has no objection to the removal, after the death of the person, of tissue from the body of the person for a purpose referred to in subsection (1), but the designated officer shall not act on such an indication if the person recovers consciousness.
- (5) Where there are 2 or more persons having a description referred to in a subparagraph of section 4 (1), definition of *senior available next of kin*, paragraph (a) or (b), an objection by any 1 of those persons has effect for this section notwithstanding any indication to the contrary by the other or any other of those persons.

# 28 Authority to remove tissue where body of deceased not at hospital

- (1) Subject to this part, where the body of a deceased person is at a place other than a hospital, the senior available next of kin of the deceased person may, by instrument in writing, authorise the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person—
  - (a) for the purpose of the transplantation of the tissue to the body of a living person; or
  - (b) for the purpose of the use of the tissue for other therapeutic purposes or for medical or scientific purposes.
- (2) Where it appears to the senior available next of kin of the deceased person, after making such inquiries (if any) as are reasonable in the circumstances, that—
  - (a) the deceased person had, during his or her lifetime, expressed an objection to the removal of tissue from his or her body and had not withdrawn that objection; or
  - (b) another next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in section 4 (1), definition of *senior available next of kin*, paragraph (a) or (b) has an objection to the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person;
  - the senior available next of kin shall not, under subsection (1), authorise the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person.
- (3) Where a deceased person, during his or her lifetime, expressed the wish for, or consented to, the removal after his or her death of tissue from his or her body for a purpose referred to in subsection (1) and the wish had not been withdrawn or the consent revoked, the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person in accordance with the wish or consent is, by force of this subsection, hereby authorised.

#### 29 Consent by coroner

- (1) This section applies to a deceased person—
  - (a) who has died in a manner or in circumstances referred to in the *Coroners Act 1997*, section 13 (1) (other than paragraph (f)); or
  - (b) in respect of whom a medical practitioner has not given a certificate as to the cause of death; or
  - (c) in respect of whose death a coroner is required by the Attorney-General to hold an inquest.
- (2) A designated officer for a hospital or a senior available next of kin, as the case may be, shall not authorise the removal of tissue from the body of a deceased person to whom this section applies unless the coroner has given his or her consent to the removal of the tissue.
- (3) Section 28 (3) does not apply in relation to a deceased person to whom this section applies unless the coroner has given his or her consent to the removal of tissue from the body of the deceased person.
- (4) The coroner may give a direction that his or her consent to the removal of tissue from the body of the person is not required and, in that event, subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to or in relation to the removal of tissue from the body of the person.
- (5) A consent or direction by the coroner under this section may be expressed to be subject to such conditions as are specified in the consent or the direction.
- (6) A consent or direction may be given orally by the coroner, and if so given, shall be confirmed in writing.

#### 30 Certificate of specialist etc required in certain situations

- (1) Where—
  - (a) a person has died within the meaning of section 45; and

(b) at the time at which he or she died or at any time thereafter his or her respiration and the circulation of his or her blood were being maintained by artificial means;

a designated officer for a hospital shall not give an authority under this part in respect of that deceased person unless 2 medical practitioners, each of whom has been for a period of not less than 5 years a medical practitioner and 1 of whom is a specialist neurologist or neurosurgeon or has such other qualifications as are prescribed, have each certified in writing—

- (c) that he or she carried out appropriate tests on or in relation to the person while the respiration and the circulation of the blood of that person were being maintained by artificial means; and
- (d) that, in his or her opinion, at the time of the tests, irreversible cessation of all function of the brain of the person had already occurred.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.

(2) For subsection (1), any period during which a person who is a medical practitioner practised as a medical practitioner, however described, under the law in force in a place outside Australia shall be taken into account in calculating the period of 5 years referred to in that subsection.

#### 31 Effect of authority under pt 3

- (1) An authority under this part is sufficient authority for a medical practitioner other than—
  - (a) a medical practitioner referred to in section 30 (1); and
  - (b) in a case to which section 27 applies—the designated officer for the hospital who gave the authority;

to remove tissue from the body of the deceased person referred to in the authority for the purpose referred to in the authority.

- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), an authority under this part which authorises the removal of tissue for the purpose of corneal transplantation (whether or not it authorises the removal of tissue for any other purpose) is sufficient authority for a person other than a medical practitioner to remove tissue from the body of the deceased person referred to in the authority for the purpose of corneal transplantation if the person—
  - (a) is authorised in writing by the chief health officer to remove tissue for the purpose of corneal transplantation; and
  - (b) is not the person by whom the firstmentioned authority was given.
- (3) A contravention by a designated officer of section 30 (1) in relation to the giving of an authority does not affect the validity of the authority.
- (4) In this section:

*chief health officer* means the chief health officer under the *Public Health Act 1997*.

#### Part 4 Post-mortem examinations

#### 32 Authority for post-mortem examination

- (1) Subject to section 34, where it appears to a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, that a deceased person who has died in the hospital or whose dead body has been brought into the hospital—
  - (a) had, during his or her lifetime, expressed the wish for, or consented to, a post-mortem examination of his or her body for the purpose of investigating the cause of his or her death; and
  - (b) had not withdrawn the wish or revoked the consent;
  - the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise a post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person for that purpose.
- (2) Subject to section 34, where it appears to a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to a deceased person who has died in the hospital or whose dead body has been brought into the hospital, that—
  - (a) the designated officer is not authorised by subsection (1) to give an authority in respect of that person; and
  - (b) the deceased person had not, during his or her lifetime, expressed an objection to the post-mortem examination of his or her body; and
  - (c) the senior available next of kin of the deceased person has not objected to a post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person;

the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise a post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person for the purpose of investigating the cause of the death of that person.

- (3) Where a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, is unable to ascertain the existence or whereabouts of the next of kin of the deceased person, subsection (2) applies as if paragraph (c) of that subsection were omitted.
- (4) The senior available next of kin of a person may make it known to a designated officer at any time when the person is unconscious before death that he or she has no objection to a post-mortem examination of the body of the person, but the designated officer shall not act on such an indication if the person recovers consciousness.
- (5) Where there are 2 or more persons having a description referred to in section 4 (1), definition of *senior available next of kin*, paragraph (a) or (b), an objection by any 1 of those persons has effect for the purposes of this section notwithstanding any indication to the contrary by the other or any other of those persons.

# 33 Authority for post-mortem examination where body of deceased not at hospital

- (1) Subject to this part, where the body of a deceased person is at a place other than a hospital, the senior available next of kin of the deceased person may, by instrument in writing, authorise a postmortem examination of the body of the deceased person for the purpose of investigating the cause of the death of that person.
- (2) Where it appears to the senior available next of kin of the deceased person, after making such inquiries (if any) as are reasonable in the circumstances, that—
  - (a) the deceased person had, during his or her lifetime, expressed an objection to a post-mortem examination of his or her body and had not withdrawn that objection; or
  - (b) another next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in section 4 (1), definition of *senior available next of kin*,

paragraph (a) or (b) has an objection to the post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person;

the senior available next of kin shall not, under subsection (1), authorise the post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person.

(3) Where a deceased person, during his or her lifetime, expressed the wish for, or consented to, a post-mortem examination of his or her body and the wish had not been withdrawn or the consent revoked, a post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person in accordance with the wish or consent is, by force of this subsection, hereby authorised.

#### 34 Consent by coroner

- (1) This section applies to a deceased person—
  - (a) who had died in a manner or in circumstances referred to in the *Coroners Act 1997*, section 13 (1) (other than paragraph (f)); or
  - (b) in respect of whom a medical practitioner has not given a certificate as to the cause of death; or
  - (c) in respect of whose death a coroner is required by the Attorney-General to hold an inquest.
- (2) The designated officer for a hospital or a senior available next of kin, as the case may be, shall not authorise a post-mortem examination of the body of a deceased person to whom this section applies unless the coroner has given his or her consent to the examination.
- (3) Section 33 (3) does not apply in relation to a deceased person to whom this section applies unless the coroner has given his or her consent to the post-mortem examination of the body of the deceased person.
- (4) The coroner may give a direction that his or her consent to the removal of tissue from the body of the person is not required and, in

- that event, subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to or in relation to the removal of tissue from the body of the person.
- (5) A consent or direction by the coroner under this section may be expressed to be subject to such conditions as are specified in the consent or the direction.
- (6) A consent or direction may be given orally by the coroner and, if so given, shall be confirmed in writing.

#### 35 Effect of authority under pt 4

- (1) An authority under this part is sufficient authority for a medical practitioner (other than, in a case to which section 32 applies, the designated officer for the hospital who gave the authority)—
  - (a) to conduct such examination of the body of the deceased person as is necessary for the purpose of investigating the cause of the death of the person; and
  - (b) to remove from the body of the person such tissue as is necessary for the purpose of the post-mortem examination.

# Part 5 Donations for anatomical purposes

#### 36 Meaning of school of anatomy

In this part:

#### school of anatomy means—

- (a) a school of anatomy established under a law of the Territory or Commonwealth; or
- (b) a school of anatomy the conduct of which is authorised under this Act; or
- (c) a place that is, under section 42 (4), taken to be a school of anatomy for this Act; or
- (d) a school of anatomy that is licensed under a law of a State.

# 37 Authority for anatomy where body of deceased at hospital

- (1) Subject to section 39, where it appears to a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances in relation to a deceased person who has died in the hospital or whose dead body has been brought into the hospital, that—
  - (a) the deceased person had not, during his or her lifetime, expressed an objection to the retention after his or her death of his or her body—
    - (i) for the purpose of anatomical examination; or
    - (ii) for the purpose of the use of his or her body for the study and teaching of the anatomy of the human body; and

(b) the senior available next of kin of the deceased person has no objection to the retention of the body of the deceased person for a purpose referred to in paragraph (a);

the designated officer may, by instrument in writing, authorise the retention and use of the body of the deceased person at a school of anatomy for any of the purposes referred to in paragraph (a).

- (2) Where a designated officer for a hospital, after making such inquiries as are reasonable in the circumstances, is unable to ascertain the existence or whereabouts of the next of kin of the deceased person, subsection (1) applies as if paragraph (b) were omitted.
- (3) The senior available next of kin of a person may make it known to a designated officer at any time when the person is unconscious before death that he or she has no objection to the retention after the death of the person of the body of the person for a purpose referred to in subsection (1), but the designated officer shall not act on such an indication if the person recovers consciousness.
- (4) Where there are 2 or more persons having a description referred to in a subparagraph of section 4 (1), definition of *senior available next of kin*, paragraph (a) or (b), an objection by any 1 of those persons has effect for this section notwithstanding any indication to the contrary by the other or any other of those persons.

# 38 Authority for anatomy where body of deceased not at hospital

- (1) Subject to this part, where the body of a deceased person is at a place other than a hospital, the senior available next of kin of the deceased person may, by instrument in writing, authorise the retention and use of the body of the deceased person at a school of anatomy—
  - (a) for the purpose of anatomical examination; or
  - (b) for the purpose of the use of the body for the study and teaching of the anatomy of the human body.

- (2) Where it appears to the senior available next of kin of the deceased person, after making such inquiries (if any) as are reasonable in the circumstances, that—
  - (a) the deceased person had, during his or her lifetime, expressed an objection to the retention of his or her body for a purpose referred to in subsection (1) and had not withdrawn that objection; or
  - (b) another next of kin of the same or a higher order of the classes in section 4 (1), the definition of *senior available next of kin*, paragraph (a) or (b) has an objection to the retention of the body of the deceased person for that purpose;

the senior available next of kin shall not, under subsection (1), authorise the retention and use of the body of the deceased person for that purpose at a school of anatomy.

# 39 Provisions applicable where deceased person consented to retention of his or her body for anatomy

Where a deceased person, during his or her lifetime, expressed the wish for, or consented to, the use of his or her body after his or her death for a purpose referred to in section 37 (1) and the wish had not been withdrawn or the consent revoked, the removal of the body of the deceased person to a school of anatomy and the use of the body at such a school for a purpose specified in section 37 (1) is hereby authorised.

#### 40 Consent by coroner

- (1) This section applies to a deceased person—
  - (a) who has died in a manner or in circumstances referred to in the *Coroners Act 1997*, section 13 (1) (other than paragraph (f)); or
  - (b) in respect of whom a medical practitioner has not given a certificate as to the cause of death; or

- (c) in respect of whose death a coroner is required by the Attorney-General to hold an inquest.
- (2) The designated officer for a hospital or a senior available next of kin shall not, in relation to the body of a deceased person to whom this section applies, give an authority under section 37 (1) or 38 (1), as the case may be, except with the consent of the coroner.
- (3) Section 39 does not apply in relation to a deceased person to whom this section applies unless the coroner has given his or her permission for the body of the deceased person to be dealt with in accordance with that section.
- (4) The coroner may give a direction that his or her consent to the removal of tissue from the body of the person is not required and, in that event, subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to or in relation to the removal of tissue from the body of the person.
- (5) A consent or direction by the coroner under this section may be expressed to be subject to such conditions as are specified in the consent or the direction.
- (6) A consent or direction may be given orally by the coroner, and if so given, shall be confirmed in writing.

## 41 Effect of authority under pt 5

An authority under this part is, for the law of the Territory, sufficient authority for the removal of the body of the deceased person to a school of anatomy and for its retention and use at such a school for a purpose specified in section 37 (1).

## Part 6 Schools of anatomy

## 42 Schools of anatomy

- (1) The Minister may, in writing, authorise the conduct within a specified educational institution of a school of anatomy for the teaching and study of anatomy and for the carrying on of the practice of anatomy.
- (2) An authorisation under subsection (1) may provide that a school of anatomy is authorised only for the teaching and study of the anatomy of a specified part of the human body.
- (3) The Minister may, in writing, authorise the carrying out of anatomical examinations and the teaching and study of the anatomy of the whole or a specified part of the human body at a place, not being a place within an educational institution, specified in the authorisation.
- (4) A place specified in an authorisation under subsection (3) is taken to be a school of anatomy for this Act.

Note A reference to an Act includes a reference to the statutory instruments made or in force under the Act, including regulations (see *Legislation Act 2001*, s 104).

(5) An authorisation under this section is a notifiable instrument.

Note A notifiable instrument must be notified under the Legislation Act 2001.

#### 43 Regulations for the control etc of schools of anatomy

- (1) The regulations may make provision in relation to—
  - (a) the manner in which bodies may be transported to a school of anatomy; and
  - (b) the conditions subject to which anatomical examinations and the teaching and study of anatomy and the practice of anatomy may be carried out; and

- (c) the furnishing of returns and other information by the person in charge of a school of anatomy; and
- (d) the precautions to be taken in regard to the receipt, custody and subsequent internment or cremation of bodies; and
- (e) the inspection of schools of anatomy; and
- (f) the regulation and control of schools of anatomy.
- (2) Regulations making provision in relation to a matter mentioned in subsection (1) (b), (c), (e) or (f) apply only to a school of anatomy for which an authorisation under section 42 is in force.

## Part 7 Prohibition of trading in tissue

#### 44 Certain contracts not to be entered into

- (1) Subject to this section, a person shall not enter into a contract or arrangement under which a person agrees, for valuable consideration, whether given or to be given to himself or herself or to another person—
  - (a) to the sale or supply of tissue from his or her body or from the body of another person, whether before or after his or her death or the death of the other person, as the case may be; or
  - (b) to the post-mortem examination or anatomical examination of his or her body after his or her death or of the body of another person after the death of the other person.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units.

- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to or in relation to the sale or supply of tissue other than blood or any of its constituents if the tissue has been subjected to processing or treatment and the sale or supply is made for use, in accordance with the directions of a medical practitioner, for therapeutic or scientific purposes.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to or in relation to a contract or arrangement providing only for the reimbursement of any expenses necessarily incurred by a person in relation to the removal of tissue in accordance with this Act.
- (4) Where he or she considers it desirable by reason of special circumstances so to do, the Minister may, by instrument in writing, approve the entering into of a contract or arrangement that would, but for the approval, be void by virtue of subsection (5) and nothing in subsection (1) or (5) applies to and in relation to a contract or agreement entered into in accordance with an approval under this subsection.

(5) A contract or arrangement entered into in contravention of this section is void.

## Part 8 Definition of death

#### 45 When death occurs

For the law of the Territory, a person has died when there has occurred—

- (a) irreversible cessation of all function of the brain of the person; or
- (b) irreversible cessation of circulation of blood in the body of the person.

## Part 9 Miscellaneous

## 46 Act does not prevent specified removals of tissue etc

- (1) Nothing in this Act applies to or in relation to—
  - (a) the removal of tissue from the body of a living person in the course of a procedure or operation carried out, in the interests of the health of the person, by a medical practitioner with the consent, express or implied, given by or on behalf of the person or in circumstances necessary for the preservation of the life of the person; or
  - (b) the use of tissues so removed; or
  - (c) the embalming of the body of a deceased person; or
  - (d) the preparation, including the restoration of any disfigurement or mutilation, of the body of a deceased person for the purpose of internment or cremation.
- (2) In subsection (1) (a) and (b):

tissue—see section 6 (Meaning of tissue in pt 2).

# 47 Exclusion of liability of person acting under consent or authority

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), where—
  - (a) a person carries out a procedure; and
  - (b) a consent or authority given under this Act is sufficient authority under this Act for that person to carry out that procedure;

that person is not liable to any other person in respect of anything done or omitted to be done by that firstmentioned person in the carrying out of that procedure.

(2) Nothing in this section relieves a person from liability for negligence in respect of anything done or omitted to be done by him or her in the carrying out of a procedure.

#### 48 Offences

(1) A person shall not remove tissue from the body of a person, whether living or dead, except in accordance with a consent or authority that is, under this Act, sufficient authority for the removal of the tissue by that person.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

(2) A person shall not conduct a post-mortem examination of the body of a deceased person except in accordance with an authority that is, under this Act, sufficient authority for that person to conduct the post-mortem examination.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

- (3) A person shall not—
  - (a) remove the body of a deceased person to a school of anatomy; or
  - (b) use the body of a deceased person for a purpose specified in section 37 (1);

except in accordance with an authority that is, under this Act, sufficient authority for such removal or use of the body for that purpose.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

- (4) A person who—
  - (a) gives an authority under this Act without having made the inquiries that he or she is required by this Act to make; or

- (b) makes a false statement in a certificate given for this Act; or
- (c) contravenes or fails to comply with a provision of division 2.6; commits an offence.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

- (5) Nothing in subsection (1) or (2) applies to or in relation to—
  - (a) anything done under an order by the coroner under the *Coroners Act 1997*; or
  - (b) any other act authorised by law.

#### 49 Disclosure of information

- (1) Subject to this section, a person to whom this section applies shall not disclose or give to any other person any information or document whereby the identity of a person or a deceased person—
  - (a) from whose body tissue other than blood has been removed for the purpose of transplantation or for the purpose of the use of the tissue for other therapeutic purposes or for medical or scientific purposes; or
  - (b) with respect to whom or with respect to whose body a consent, other than a consent under section 20, or authority has been given under this Act; or
  - (c) into whose body tissue other than blood has been, is being, or may be, transplanted;

may become publicly known.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

(2) Subject to this section, a person to whom this section applies shall not disclose or give to any other person any information or document whereby the identity of a child from whose body blood

has been removed for a purpose referred to in section 20 may become publicly known.

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

- (3) This section applies—
  - (a) where a consent has been given in accordance with this Act—
    to a medical practitioner who gave a certificate in relation to
    the consent; and
  - (b) where an authority has been given in accordance with this Act by a designated officer for a hospital—to the designated officer; and
  - (c) where tissue has been removed from the body of a person or a deceased person—the medical practitioner or the person authorised by the chief health officer under section 31 (2) who removed the tissue and, if the tissue was removed at a hospital, each person who was employed at the hospital at the time of the removal of the tissue or has since been employed at the hospital; and
  - (d) where tissue has been transplanted into the body of a person to the medical practitioner who performed the transplantation and, if the tissue was transplanted at a hospital, each person who was employed at the hospital at the time of the transplantation or has since been employed at the hospital; and
  - (e) where it is proposed that tissue will be transplanted into the body of a person—to the medical practitioner who is to perform the transplantation and, if the tissue is to be transplanted at a hospital, each person who is employed at the hospital or who becomes so employed.
- (4) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to or in relation to information disclosed—
  - (a) under an order of a court or when otherwise required by law; or

- (b) for the purposes of hospital administration or bona fide medical research; or
- (c) with the consent of the person to whom the information relates; or
- (d) when the circumstances in which the disclosure is made are such that the disclosure is or would be privileged.

## 51 Regulation-making power

- (1) The Executive may make regulations for this Act.
  - *Note* Regulations must be notified, and presented to the Legislative Assembly, under the *Legislation Act 2001*.
- (2) The regulations may prescribe offences for contraventions of the regulations and prescribe maximum penalties of not more than 10 penalty units for offences against the regulations.

#### **Endnotes**

#### 1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the *Legislation Act 2001*, part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

Uncommenced amending laws are listed in the legislation history and the amendment history. These details are underlined. Uncommenced provisions and amendments are not included in the republished law but are set out in the last endnotes.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier republications.

If the republished law includes penalties, current information about penalty unit values appears on the republication inside front cover.

#### 2 Abbreviation key

am = amended amdt = amendment ch = chapter cl = clause def = definition dict = dictionary

disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative

Assembly

exp = expires/expired
Gaz = Gazette
hdg = heading
ins = inserted/added
LA = Legislation Act 2001
LR = legislation register

LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996 mod = modified / modification

No = number

No = number o = order

div = division

om = omitted/repealed

ord = ordinance

orig = original p = page

par = paragraph pres = present

prev = previous
(prev...) = previously

prov = provision pt = part

r = rule/subrule

reg = regulation/subregulation

renum = renumbered reloc = relocated R[X] = Republication No s = section/subsection

sch = schedule sdiv = subdivision sub = substituted SL = Subordinate Law

 $\underline{underlining} = whole \ or \ part \ not \ commenced$ 

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#### 3 Legislation history

The *Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1978* was originally the *Transplantation and Anatomy Ordinance 1978*. It became an ACT Act on self-government (11 May 1989).

#### Legislation before self-government

#### Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1978 No 44

notified 19 December 1978 commenced 29 December 1978 (s 2 and Cwlth Gaz 1978 No S290)

as amended by

## Community and Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Ordinance 1988 No 29

notified 30 June 1988 commenced 2 July 1988

#### Nurses (Consequential Amendments) Ordinance 1988 No 62

notified 7 September 1988 commenced 5 December 1988 (Cwlth Gaz 1988 No S369)

## Self-Government (Consequential Amendments) Ordinance 1989 No 38 sch 1

notified 10 May 1989 (Cwlth Gaz 1989 No S164) s 1, s 2 commenced 10 May 1989 (s 2 (1)) sch 1 commenced 11 May 1989 (s 2 (2) and Cwlth Gaz 1989 No S164)

#### Legislation after self-government

#### Health Services (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 No 63 sch 1

notified 28 December 1990 (Gaz 1990 No S102) s 1, s 2 commenced 28 December 1990 (s 2 (1)) sch 1 commenced 1 January 1991 (s 2 (2) and Gaz 1991 No S4)

## Guardianship and Management of Property (Consequential Provisions) Act 1991 No 63 pt 4

notified 31 October 1991 (Gaz 1991 No S119) s 1, s 2 commenced 31 October 1991 (s 2 (1)) pt 4 commenced 7 January 1992 (s 2 (2) and Gaz 1991 No S147)

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#### Amendment history

#### Health (Consequential Provisions) Act 1993 No 14 sch 1

notified 1 March 1993 (Gaz 1993 No S23) commenced 1 March 1993 (s 2)

#### Coroners (Consequential Provisions) Act 1997 No 58 sch 2

notified 9 October 1997 (Gaz 1997 No S300) commenced 9 October 1997 (s 2)

#### Statute Law Revision (Penalties) Act 1998 No 54 sch

notified 27 November 1998 (Gaz 1998 No S207) s 1, s 2 commenced 27 November 1998 (s 2 (1)) sch commenced 9 December 1998 (s 2 (2) and Gaz 1998 No 49)

#### Transplantation and Anatomy (Amendment) Act 1999 No 6

notified 1 March 1999 (Gaz 1999 No S8) commenced 1 March 1999 (s 2)

#### Transplantation and Anatomy Amendment Act 2000 No 45

notified 28 September 2000 (Gaz 2000 No 39) commenced 28 September 2000 (s 2)

#### Legislation (Consequential Amendments) Act 2001 No 44 pt 391

notified 26 July 2001 (Gaz 2001 No 30) s 1, s 2 commenced 26 July 2001 (IA s 10B) pt 391 commenced 12 September 2001 (s 2 and Gaz 2001 No S65)

#### Statute Law Amendment Act 2001 (No 2) 2001 No 56 pt 1.7

notified 5 September 2001 (Gaz 2001 No S65) commenced 5 September 2001 (s 2 (1))

#### 4 Amendment history

#### Commencement

s 2 om R4 LRA

Repeal

s 3 om R4 LRA

#### Interpretation for Act

s 4 am 1988 No 29; 1988 No 62 def **Board** ins 1990 No 63 sch 1 om 1993 No 14 sch 1

def Service om 1990 No 63 sch 1

**Designated officers** 

s 5 am 1988 No 29; 1990 No 63 sch 1; 1993 No 14 sch 1

**Exclusion of certain tissue** 

div 2.1 hdg (prev pt 2 div 1 hdg) renum R5 LA

**Donations by adults** 

div 2.2 hdg (prev pt 2 div 2 hdg) renum R5 LA

**Donations from children** 

div 2.3 hdg (prev pt 2 div 3 hdg) renum R5 LA

Effect of consents and authorities

div 2.4 hdg (prev pt 2 div 4 hdg) renum R5 LA

Effect of consent by guardianship tribunal

s 16A ins 1991 No 63

When written consent not sufficient authority

s 19 am 1991 No 63

**Blood** 

div 2.5 hdg (prev pt 2 div 5 hdg) renum R5 LA

Consents by persons 16 years old or older to removal of blood

s 20 hdg sub 2000 No 45 s 4 s 20 am 2000 No 45 s 4

Consents to removal of blood from children under 16 years old

s 21 hdg sub 2000 No 45 s 5 s 21 am 2000 No 45 s 5

Revocation of consent or agreement div 2.6 hdg (prev pt 2 div 6 hdg) renum R5 LA

**Revocation of consent** 

s 24 am 1988 No 62

Child no longer in agreement with removal and transplantation

s 25 am 1988 No 62

Consent by coroner

s 29 am 1989 No 38 sch 1; 1997 No 58 sch 2

Certificate of specialist etc required in certain situations

s 30 am 1998 No 54 sch; 2001 No 56 amdt 1.79, amdt 1.80

Effect of authority under pt 3

s 31 am 1999 No 6; ss renum R5 LA

Consent by coroner

s 34 am 1989 No 38 sch 1; 1997 No 58 sch 2

Effect of authority under pt 4

s 35 am 1997 No 58 sch 2

#### Meaning of school of anatomy

s 36 am 1989 No 38 sch 1

Consent by coroner

s 40 am 1989 No 38 sch 1; 1997 No 58 sch 2

Schools of anatomy

am 2001 No 44 amdts 1.4086-1.4090

Regulations for the control etc of schools of anatomy

s 43 am 2001 No 44 amdt 1.4091, amdt 1.4092

Certain contracts not to be entered into

s 44 am 1998 No 54 sch

Offences

s 48 am 1997 No 58 sch 2; 1998 No 54 sch

**Disclosure of information** 

s 49 am 1998 No 54 sch; 1999 No 6

Amendment of Seat of Government (Administration) Ordinance 1930

s 50 om R4 LRA

Regulation-making power

s 51 am 1989 No 38 sch 1; 1998 No 54 sch

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### 5 Earlier republications

Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

Republication No	Amendments to	Republication date
1	Act 1990 No 63	30 September 1991
2	Act 1993 No 14	30 April 1993
3	Act 1999 No 6	31 March 1999
4	Act 2000 No 45	23 October 2000

