



Australian Capital Territory

Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Amendment Act 2003

A2003-25

An Act to amend the *Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Act 2003*

*Notified under the Legislation Act 2001 on 23 June 2003
(see www.legislation.act.gov.au)*

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Amendment Act 2003*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day after its notification day.

Note The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).

3 Act amended

This Act amends the *Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Act 2003*.

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omit

Subsection 4 (2) of the Principal Act.

5 Protection of statements to inquiry New section 4 (3A)

insert

- (3A) The Territory, the Chief Minister, Mr McLeod, or a person acting under the direction of the Chief Minister or Mr McLeod, is not civilly liable for anything done honestly in relation to the preparation or making public of the report.
- (3B) A person is not civilly liable for publishing honestly—
- (a) the report, or a fair copy of the report, as made public; or
 - (b) a fair summary of, or a fair extract from, the report as made public.

- (3C) This section does not deprive a person of any defence the person might have relied on apart from this section.

6 Section 4

renumber subsections when Act next republished under the Legislation Act

Endnote

Republications of amended laws

For the latest republication of amended laws, see www.legislation.act.gov.au.

[Presentation speech made in Assembly on 8 May 2003]

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Amendment Bill 2003 which was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 19 June 2003.

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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