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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Minister for Education)

**Board of Senior Secondary Studies
(Amendment) Bill 1998**

A BILL

FOR

**An Act to amend the *Board of Senior Secondary
Studies Act 1997***

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

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Board of Senior Secondary Studies
(Amendment) Act 1998*.

2. Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which it is notified in the *Gazette*.

3. Principal Act

In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Board of Senior Secondary
Studies Act 1997*.¹

4. Interpretation

Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting the definition of “Executive Officer”; and
(b) by omitting the definition of “recognised educational institution”
and substituting the following definition:

“ ‘recognised educational institution’ means an educational institution that is established or registered under an Act or a law of the Commonwealth, a State or another Territory that provides, or offers to provide, courses that are suitable for senior secondary education.”

5. Membership of the Board

Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (1) (o).

6. Insertion

After section 12 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

“12A. Representative of Chief Executive

“(1) The Chief Executive may appoint a representative to attend a meeting or meetings of the Board on his or her behalf.

“(2) A representative appointed under subsection (1) may participate in a meeting of the Board in the absence of the Chief Executive.”

7. Disclosure of interest

Section 13 of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

“(1) A member who—

(a) has a direct or indirect personal or pecuniary interest in a matter being considered or about to be considered by the Board; and

(b) intends to attend, or attends, the meeting of the Board at which the matter is likely to be, or is, considered;

shall, as soon as practicable after the relevant facts have come to the member’s knowledge, disclose the nature of the interest to the Board.”; and

- (b) by omitting from subsection (4) the definition of “member” and substituting the following definition:

“ ‘member’ includes—

(a) an alternate appointed under subsection 11 (1); and

- (b) a representative appointed under subsection 12A (1).”.

8. Procedures of the Board

5 Section 16 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (9) the definition of “member” and substituting the following definition:

“ ‘member’ includes—

- (a) an alternate appointed under subsection 11 (1); and
(b) a representative appointed under subsection 12A (1).”.

10 **9. Repeal**

Section 18 of the Principal Act is repealed.

10. Review of refusal to accredit

Section 23 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (1) “Executive Officer” and substituting “Chairperson”.

15 **11. Register**

Section 29 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsections:

“(3) The Chairperson shall determine a place at which the register may be inspected.

20 “(3A) A person is entitled to inspect the register at the place determined in subsection (3) during ordinary office hours.”.

NOTE

Principal Act

1 Act No. 87, 1997.