



New South Wales

State Emergency and Rescue Management Amendment Bill 2024

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *State Emergency and Rescue Management Act 1989* to—

- (a) allow certain officers of emergency services organisations to temporarily close roads and road related areas in certain circumstances, and
- (b) give the State Emergency Management Committee the function of supporting emergency services organisations and other organisations to plan for the development and maintenance of the emergency management volunteer workforce, and
- (c) make other minor amendments.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name, also called the short title, of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 Amendment of State Emergency and Rescue Management Act 1989 No 165

Schedule 1[10] provides that a responsible person for an emergency services organisation may temporarily close a road or road related area to traffic if there is an obstruction or a danger to traffic.

Schedule 1[6] provides that the State Emergency Management Committee has the function of supporting emergency services organisations and other organisations to plan for the development and maintenance of the emergency management volunteer workforce.

Schedule 1[3] provides that education services are a functional area for emergency management.

Schedule 1[9] provides that Regional Emergency Operations Controllers and Local Emergency Operations Controllers are directing officers.

Schedule 1[1], [2], [4], [5], [7], [8] and [11] make minor amendments and amendments of a statute law nature.