



New South Wales

Ports and Maritime Administration Amendment (White Bay Cruise Terminal— Shore Power) 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 require, from 1 January 2027, cruise ships to use shore power while berthed at White Bay Cruise Terminal.

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 on the date of assent to the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 **Amendment of Ports and Maritime Administration Act 1995 No 13**

Schedule 1 inserts proposed section 105D into the *Ports and Maritime Administration Act 1995*. The proposed section, which applies from 1 January 2027—

- (a) imposes duties on the Port Authority of New South Wales—
 - (i) to only permit cruise ships to use a berth at White Bay Cruise Terminal if the ship is equipped to use shore power, and
 - (ii) to require ships using a berth at White Bay Cruise Terminal to use shore power, and
- (b) creates offences for the owner and the master of a cruise ship—
 - (i) to use a berth White Bay Cruise Terminal unless the ship is equipped to use shore power, and

- (ii) to fail to use shore power while using a berth at White Bay Cruise Terminal.