Act No. 275

HEALTH LEGISLATION (REASONS FOR DECISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 1987

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

This Bill is cognate with the Physiotherapists Registration (Amendment) Bill 1987.

The objects of this Bill are to-

- (a) amend certain Acts under which health professional registration bodies are constituted to require those bodies to provide written reasons for their decisions on disciplinary matters as a matter of course and, in relation to other matters, on written request; and
- (b) to amend the Medical Practitioners Act 1938 to bring into line with the amendments referred to in paragraph (a) provisions in that Act which relate to the giving of reasons for decisions.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the proposed Act to commence on assent.

Clause 3 gives effect to the Schedule of amendments.

Clause 4 provides that the amendments do not apply to decisions made before the commencement of the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 amends the following Acts to give effect to the objects stated above:

Chiropodists Registration Act 1962

Chiropractic Act 1978

Dental Technicians Registration Act 1975

Dentists Act 1934

Medical Practitioners Act 1938

Nurses Registration Act 1953

Optical Dispensers Act 1963

Health Legislation (Reasons for Decisions) Amendment 1987

Optometrists Act 1930 Pharmacy Act 1964 Physiotherapists Registration Act 1945.