

## Disputes Tribunals Amendment Act 2009

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### The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

- 1 **Title** This Act is the Disputes Tribunals Amendment Act 2009.
- 2 **Commencement** This Act comes into force on 1 August 2009.

### **3** Principal Act amended

This Act amends the Disputes Tribunals Act 1988.

### Part 1 Amendments to principal Act

#### **4** Jurisdiction of Tribunals

Section 10(1A) and (3) are amended by omitting "\$7,500" and substituting in each case "\$15,000".

# 5 Extension of jurisdiction by agreement between the parties

Section 13(2) is amended by omitting "\$12,000" and substituting "\$20,000".

### 6 Abandonment to bring claim within jurisdiction

Section 14 is amended by omitting "\$7,500" and substituting "\$15,000".

### 7 Orders of Tribunal

- (1) Section 19(5), (6), and (7) are amended by omitting "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substituting in each case "\$15,000".
- (2) Section 19(7) is amended by omitting "\$12,000" and substituting "\$20,000".

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### Part 2 Consequential amendments

### 8 Consequential amendments

The enactments listed in the Schedule are amended in the manner set out in that schedule.

### Schedule Consequential amendments

### Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 (1993 No 91)

Section 47(4), (5), and (6): omit "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substitute in each case "\$15,000".

Section 47(6): omit "\$12,000" and substitute "\$20,000".

#### Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Act 2003 (2003 No 52)

Section 87(1), (2), (3), and (5): omit "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substitute in each case "\$15,000".

Section 87(5): omit "\$12,000" and substitute "\$20,000".

Section 143(1): omit "(as in force immediately before the commencement of this section)".

Section 143: insert after subsection (2):

"(2A) The references in subsection (1) to the Credit Contracts Act 1981 and the Hire Purchase Act 1971 are references to those Acts as in force immediately before the commencement of this section, except that references in section 45A of the Credit Contracts Act 1981 and section 47A of the Hire Purchase Act 1971 to \$7,500 and \$12,000 must be treated as references to \$15,000 and \$20,000 respectively."

#### Fair Trading Act 1986 (1986 No 121)

Section 43(4) and (4A): omit "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substitute in each case "\$15,000".

Section 43(4A): omit "\$12,000" and substitute "\$20,000".

#### Fencing Act 1978 (1978 No 50)

Section 24A(2) and (3): omit "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substitute in each case "\$15,000". Section 24A(3): omit "\$12,000" and substitute "\$20,000".

#### Minors' Contracts Act 1969 (1969 No 41)

Section 14A: omit "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substitute in each case "\$15,000".

Section 14A(3): omit "\$12,000" and substitute "\$20,000".

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### Retirement Villages Act 2003 (2003 No 112)

Section 83(2) and (3): omit "\$7,500" in each place where it appears and substitute in each case "\$15,000".

Section 83(3): omit "\$12,000" and substitute "\$20,000".

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	Committee	
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