

Electricity Amendment Act 2000

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

1 Title

- (1) This Act is the Electricity Amendment Act 2000.
- (2) In this Act, the Electricity Act 1992 is called “the principal Act”.

2 Commencement

This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

3 Persons to whom this Part applies

Section 117 of the principal Act is amended by adding the following paragraph:

- “(f) persons who are the subject of an order under section 125 or section 127.”

4 Investigation of complaint

- (1) Section 121(3) of the principal Act is amended by omitting the words “Before the Committee makes a determination under subsection (2) of this section, the Committee”, and substituting the words “Before the Committee makes a determination under subsection (2) that the complaint should be considered by the Board, the Committee or the Secretary”.
- (2) Section 121(3)(b)(i) of the principal Act is amended by omitting the word “it”, and substituting the words “the Committee”.

5 Interim suspension or disqualification

- (1) Section 125(1) of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (1), and substituting the following subsections:
- “(1) The Board may make an order under subsection (1A)—
- “(a) at any time before or after a notice has been served on a person under section 124; and
 - “(b) if satisfied that it is necessary to do so having regard to the need to protect the safety of members of the public.
- “(1A) An order under this subsection is either—
- “(a) an order suspending the registration of a registered person or the provisional licence of a holder of a provisional licence; or
 - “(b) an order disqualifying a person who is a qualified engineer or trainee or tradesperson from doing, or assisting in doing, prescribed electrical work that the person would otherwise be authorised to do or assist in doing in that person’s capacity as a qualified engineer or trainee or tradesperson.
- “(1B) An order made under subsection (1A) continues in force until—

- “(a) the Committee determines, under section 121(2), that the complaint should not be considered by the Board; or
 - “(b) the Board determines, under section 123(1), that it should not exercise its disciplinary powers under section 127; or
 - “(c) the Board does any of the things authorised by section 127.”
- (2) Section 125(2) to (5) of the principal Act is amended by omitting the expression “subsection (1)” in each place where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression “subsection (1A)”.
- (3) Section 126 of the principal Act is amended by omitting the expression “section 125(1)” in each place where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression “section 125(1A)”.

6 Appeals

Section 140(1)(f) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after the expression “section 124(3)”, the expression “or section 125”.

7 Regulations relating to information disclosure

Section 170(1)(ha) of the principal Act is amended by adding the words “; and, for this purpose, prescribed business relationships involving activities conducted by, or occurring within, one person only are included:”.

8 Voting at meetings

Clause 9 of Schedule 2 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subclause (3), and substituting the following subclause:

- “(3) A resolution assented to by letter, telegram, fax message, telex, or electronic message by all members of either body is as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the body duly called and constituted.”

Legislative history

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Divided from the Statutes Amendment Bill (No 7) as reported from the Justice and Electoral Committee (Bill 334-A2), third reading
