

**Reprint**  
**as at 1 September 2017**

**Minors' Contracts Amendment Act 2005**

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Minors' Contracts Amendment Act 2005: repealed, on 1 September 2017, pursuant to section 345(1)(h) of the Contract and Commercial Law Act 2017 (2017 No 5).

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

**1      Title**

- (1) This Act is the Minors' Contracts Amendment Act 2005.
- (2) In this Act, the Minors' Contracts Act 1969 is called "the principal Act".

**2      Commencement**

This Act comes into force on 26 April 2005.

**3      Interpretation**

- (1) Section 2(1) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after the definition of **Court**, the following definition:

**minor** means a person who has not attained the age of 18 years; and a person is of full age if he or she has attained the age of 18 years.

- (2) Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (2).

#### **4 Married minors**

- (1) The principal Act is amended by repealing section 4.
- (2) Section 66C of the Life Insurance Act 1908 is consequentially amended by repealing subsection (5).

#### **5 Contracts of minors of or over the age of 18 years, certain contracts concerning life insurance, and contracts of service**

- (1) Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by omitting the heading and substituting "Certain contracts concerning life insurance, and contracts of service".
- (2) Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (1)(a).

#### **6 Contracts of minors below the age of 18 years**

- (1) Section 6 of the principal Act is amended by omitting the heading and substituting "Contracts of minors".
- (2) Section 6 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:
  - (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, every contract (other than a contract to which paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subsection 5(1) applies) entered into by a minor is unenforceable against the minor but otherwise has effect as if the minor were of full age.

#### **7 Settlement of claims by minors**

- (1) Section 12(5) of the principal Act is amended by omitting the expression "20", and substituting the expression "18".
- (2) Section 12(5) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after the word "marrying", the words "or entering into a civil union or a de facto relationship".

#### **8 Agreements relating to trusts**

Section 16(2) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after the word "married", the words ", in a civil union, or in a de facto relationship".

## **Eprint notes**

### **1    *General***

This is an eprint of the Minors' Contracts Amendment Act 2005 that incorporates all the amendments to that Act as at the date of the last amendment to it.

### **2    *About this eprint***

This eprint is not an official version of the legislation under section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012.

### **3    *Amendments incorporated in this eprint***

Contract and Commercial Law Act 2017 (2017 No 5): section 345(1)(h)