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No. 10 of 2019

An Act to amend the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 2002.

[Assented to 12 June 2019]

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

1. **Short title**

This is the *Pay-roll Tax Assessment Amendment Act 2019*.

2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation as follows —

- sections 1 and 2 on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent;
- (b) the rest of the Act — on 1 July 2019.

3. Act amended

This Act amends the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 2002.

4. Section 41D amended

In section 41D(1) delete the definitions of: (1)

> group member initial employer nominal period

- (2) Delete section 41D(3) to (6) and insert:
 - (3) An exemption under subsection (2) does not apply to wages paid or payable to or in relation to an employee under a registered training contract that is suspended under the VET Act for the period of the suspension.

Note: The heading to amended section 41D is to read:

Exempt wages: apprentices under training contracts

5. Schedule 1 clause 15 amended

In Schedule 1 clause 15 delete the definitions of: (1) apprentice

existing training contract

(2) In Schedule 1 clause 15 in the definition of commencement day delete "operation;" and insert:

operation.

Note: The heading to amended Schedule 1 clause 15 is to read:

Term used: commencement day

6. Schedule 1 clause 16 deleted

Delete Schedule 1 clause 16.

7. **Schedule 1 Division 7 inserted**

At the end of Schedule 1 insert:

Division 7 — Provisions for the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Amendment Act 2019

18. Terms used

In this Division —

apprentice has the meaning given in the VET Act section 60A;

commencement day means the day on which the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Amendment Act 2019 section 4 comes into operation;

former section 41D means section 41D as in force immediately before commencement day;

VET Act means the Vocational Education and Training Act 1996.

19. Application of amendments made by *Pay-roll Tax*Assessment Amendment Act 2019

The amendments made by the *Pay-roll Tax Assessment Amendment Act 2019* apply in relation to wages paid or payable on or after commencement day.

20. Exemption for wages paid or payable: training contracts lodged for registration before 1 December 2017

- (1) This clause applies to a training contract (the *pre-1 December 2017 training contract*) if
 - (a) in accordance with a requirement imposed under the VET Act section 60C(5), an apprentice under the training contract is referred to as a "trainee"; and
 - (b) the training contract was lodged for registration under the VET Act section 60F(2) before 1 December 2017.
- (2) Despite the amendments made by the *Pay-roll Tax*Assessment Amendment Act 2019 section 4, wages paid or payable by an employer to or in relation to an employee are exempt from pay-roll tax if
 - (a) the wages are paid or payable for a period during which the employee is an apprentice under the pre-1 December 2017 training contract; and
 - (b) the wages would have been exempt from pay-roll tax under former section 41D, as modified by Schedule 1 clause 16 (as that clause was in force immediately before commencement day).

21. Exemption for wages paid or payable: training contracts lodged for registration between 1 December 2017 and 30 June 2019

- (1) This clause applies to a training contract (the *pre-1 July 2019 training contract*) if
 - (a) in accordance with a requirement imposed under the VET Act section 60C(5), an apprentice under the training contract is referred to as a "trainee"; and

- (b) the training contract was lodged for registration under the VET Act section 60F(2) during the period beginning on 1 December 2017 and ending immediately before commencement day.
- (2) Despite the amendments made by the *Pay-roll Tax Assessment Amendment Act 2019* section 4, wages paid or payable by an employer to or in relation to an employee are exempt from pay-roll tax if
 - (a) the wages are paid or payable for a period during which the employee is an apprentice under the pre-1 July 2019 training contract; and
 - (b) the wages would have been exempt from pay-roll tax under former section 41D.