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Defined terms



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An Act —

- **to provide for the amelioration of problems and impediments arising from the emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and**
- **to facilitate aspects of the economic recovery from the emergency response to the pandemic; and**
- **to make related amendments to various Acts; and**
- **to validate certain actions taken during or following the state of emergency declared in relation to the pandemic on 16 March 2020; and**
- **for related purposes.**

Part 1 — Preliminary

1. Short title

This is the *COVID-19 Response and Economic Recovery Omnibus Act 2020*.

2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation as follows —

- (a) Part 1 — on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent;
- (b) the rest of the Act — on the day after that day.

3. Primary purposes of Act

The primary purposes of this Act are —

- (a) to provide for the amelioration of problems in relation to compliance with statutory requirements, and of impediments to the processes of government, arising from the emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (b) to provide for the amelioration of problems arising from the emergency response to an outbreak, or the risk of an outbreak, of COVID-19 in the State; and
- (c) to facilitate aspects of the economic recovery from the emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. Terms used

- (1) In this Act —

agency has the meaning given in the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* section 3(1);

authorisation includes an approval, licence or permit;

COVID emergency declaration means a declaration made under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* section 56, or the

Public Health Act 2016 section 167, in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic;

non-SES organisation has the meaning given in the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* section 3(1);

portfolio Minister, in relation to an Act, means the Minister to whom the administration of the whole or a part of the Act is committed;

prescribed means prescribed by regulations under this Act.

- (2) In this Act —
- (a) a reference to a thing done includes a reference to a thing omitted to be done; and
 - (b) a reference to a requirement under an Act includes a reference to the Act providing consequences for doing or not doing a thing; and
 - (c) a reference to the portfolio Minister in relation to an Act is, if the administration of the Act is committed to more than 1 Minister, a reference to any of those Ministers.

5. Act binds Crown

This Act binds the Crown in right of Western Australia and, so far as the legislative power of the Parliament permits, the Crown in all its other capacities.

6. Relationship of this Act to other written laws

This Act has effect despite any other written law.

[Parts 2-7 have not come into operation.]



Notes

This is a compilation of the *COVID-19 Response and Economic Recovery Omnibus Act 2020* and includes amendments made by other written laws. For provisions that have come into operation see the compilation table. For provisions that have not yet come into operation see the uncommenced provisions table.

Compilation table

Short title	Number and year	Assent	Commencement
<i>COVID-19 Response and Economic Recovery Omnibus Act 2020 Pt. 1</i>	34 of 2020	11 Sep 2020	11 Sep 2020 (see s. 2(a))

Uncommenced provisions table

To view the text of the uncommenced provisions see *Acts as passed* on the WA Legislation website.

Short title	Number and year	Assent	Commencement
<i>COVID-19 Response and Economic Recovery Omnibus Act 2020</i> (other than Pt. 1)	34 of 2020	11 Sep 2020	12 Sep 2020 (see s. 2(b))

Defined terms

[This is a list of terms defined and the provisions where they are defined.

The list is not part of the law.]

Defined term	Provision(s)
agency	4(1)
authorisation.....	4(1)
COVID emergency declaration.....	4(1)
non-SES organisation.....	4(1)
portfolio Minister	4(1)
prescribed.....	4(1)