South Australia



PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (NOTIFICATION OF DISEASES) AMENDMENT ACT 1996

No. 14 of 1996

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An Act to amend the Public and Environmental Health Act 1987.

[Assented to 24 April 1996]

The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Short title

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Public and Environmental Health (Notification of Diseases) Amendment Act 1996.
- (2) The *Public and Environmental Health Act 1987* is referred to in this Act as "the principal Act".

Commencement

2. This Act will come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

Amendment of s. 30—Notification

- 3. Section 30 of the principal Act is amended—
- (a) by striking out from subsection (1) "becomes aware that a person is suffering from a notifiable disease or has died from a notifiable disease the medical practitioner—" and substituting "or person of a class prescribed by regulation suspects that a person is suffering from or has died from a notifiable disease, the medical practitioner or person of a prescribed class—";
- (b) by striking out from subsection (1)(a) "within five days of becoming so aware, report the existence of the disease" and substituting "within three days of forming that suspicion, report the case";
- (c) by striking out subsection (4) and substituting the following subsection:
 - (4) A medical practitioner (other than a person of a class prescribed by regulation) who suspects that a person is suffering from a notifiable disease is not required to make a report under subsection (1) with respect to that case if the practitioner knows or reasonably believes that a report has already been made to the Commission by another medical practitioner who is or who has been responsible for the treatment of that person.;

- (d) by inserting in subsection (5) "or person of a class prescribed by regulation" after "A medical practitioner";
- (e) by striking out subsection (7).

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

ROMA MITCHELL Governor