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Western Australia

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(As amended during consideration in detail)

Consumer Protection Legislation Amendment Bill 2018

A Bill for

An Act to amend —

- the Auction Sales Act 1973; and
- the Charitable Collections Act 1946; and
- the Debt Collectors Licensing Act 1964; and
- the Fair Trading Act 2010; and
- the Home Building Contracts Act 1991; and
- the Land Valuers Licensing Act 1978; and
- the Real Estate and Business Agents Act 1978; and
- the Residential Tenancies Act 1987; and
- the Settlement Agents Act 1981; and
- the Street Collections (Regulation) Act 1940.

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

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| 1 | | Part 1 — Preliminary |
|--------|----|---|
| 2 | 1. | Short title |
| 3 4 | | This is the Consumer Protection Legislation Amendment Act 2018. |
| 5 | 2. | Commencement |
| 6 | | This Act comes into operation as follows — |
| 7 | | (a) Part 1 — on the day on which this Act receives the |
| 8 | | Royal Assent; |
| 9 | | (b) the rest of the Act — on a day fixed by proclamation, |

and different days may be fixed for different provisions.

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| 1 | | Part 2 — Auction Sales Act 19/3 amended |
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| 2 | 3. | Act amended |
| 3 | | This Part amends the Auction Sales Act 1973. |
| 4 | 4. | Section 28 amended |
| 5 6 | (1) | At the end of section 28(5) insert: |
| 7 8 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |
| 9 | (2) | Delete section 28(9). |
| 0 | 5. | Section 35 amended |
| 1 | | Delete section 35(1) and (2). |
| 2 | 6. | Various provisions amended |
| 3 4 | | At the end of the provisions listed in the Table insert: |
| 5 6 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |

Table 17

| s. 22(3) | s. 23(1) |
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| s. 24(1) | s. 26(1) and (2) |
| s. 27(1) | s. 29(2) |
| s. 31(1), (2), (3), (4), (6) and (7) | |

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7. Various penalties amended

2 Amend the provisions listed in the Table as set out in the Table.

3 Table

| Provision | Delete | Insert |
|-----------|---|---|
| s. 6(6) | Penalty: \$500. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$50 000. |
| s. 25(1) | Penalty: \$1 000 or imprisonment for 12 months. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$50 000 or imprisonment for 12 months. |
| s. 30(2) | Penalty: \$500. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$10 000. |
| s. 30(5) | Penalty: A fine of not more than \$1 000, or imprisonment for a term of not more than one year, or both such fine and imprisonment. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$50 000 or imprisonment for 12 months, or both. |

Part 3 — Charitable Collections Act 1946 amended

| 2 | 8. | Act amended |
|-------------|-----|--|
| 3 | | This Part amends the <i>Charitable Collections Act 1946</i> . |
| 4 | 9. | Section 5 amended |
| 5 6 | | In section 5 insert in alphabetical order: |
| 7 8 9 | | Commissioner has the meaning given in the <i>Fair Trading Act 2010</i> section 6. |
| 10 | 10. | Section 6 amended |
| 11 12 | (1) | At the end of section $6(1)$ insert: |
| 13 14 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$20 000. |
| 15 | (2) | Delete section 6(2). |
| 16 | 11. | Section 8 amended |
| 17 | | In section 8: |
| 18 19 | | (a) delete "Minister" (1 st occurrence) and insert: |
| 20 21 | | Commissioner |
| 22 23 | | (b) delete "Minister." and insert: |
| 24 25 | | Commissioner. |

| 1 | 12. | Section 9 amended |
|----------------|-----|---|
| 2 3 4 | (1) | In section 9(2) delete "offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding \$100." and insert: |
| 5 6 | | offence. |
| 7 8 | (2) | At the end of section 9(2) insert: |
| 9 10 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$5 000. |
| 11 | 13. | Section 11 amended |
| 12 13 14 | (1) | In section 11(1) delete "shall be made to the Minister, who shall" and insert: |
| 15 16 | | must be made to the Commissioner, who must |
| 17 18 | (2) | In section 11(2) delete "shall" and insert: |
| 19 20 | | must |
| 21 22 | (3) | In section 11(3) delete "Minister may, in his" and insert: |
| 23 24 | | Commissioner may, in the Commissioner's |
| 25 | 14. | Section 12 amended |
| 26 27 | (1) | In section 12(1) delete "Minister" and insert: |
| 28 29 | | Commissioner |

| 1 2 | (2) | In section 12(2) delete "fixed by the Minister." and insert: | | | | |
|----------------|-----|--|--|--|--|--|
| 3 | | imposed by the Commissioner. | | | | |
| 5 6 | (3) | In section 12(3) delete "Minister" and insert: | | | | |
| 7 8 | | Commissioner | | | | |
| 9 | (4) | In section 12(4): | | | | |
| 10 11 | | (a) delete "Minister —" and insert: | | | | |
| 12 13 | | Commissioner — | | | | |
| 14 15 16 | | (b) in paragraph (b) delete "Minister or a person authorised by him" and insert: | | | | |
| 17 18 19 | | Commissioner or a person authorised by the Commissioner | | | | |
| 20 | 15. | Section 13 amended | | | | |
| 21 22 | | In section 13(1) delete "Minister," and insert: | | | | |
| 23 24 | | Commissioner, | | | | |
| 25 | 16. | Section 15 amended | | | | |
| 26 27 | (1) | Delete section 15(1) to (3) and insert: | | | | |
| 28 | | (1) In this section — | | | | |
| 29 | | collection records means — | | | | |
| 30 | | (a) accounts setting out the money and goods | | | | |

| 1 2 | | | collected or received by the collector for a charitable purpose; and |
|----------|-----------|------------|--|
| 3 | | (b) | statements setting out the way the money and |
| 4 | | (-) | goods collected or received by the collector |
| 5 | | | have been dealt with; |
| 6 | | collect | or means a person, society, body, or association |
| 7 | | | llects or receives money or goods for a |
| 8 | | | ble purpose. |
| 9 | (2) | A colle | ector must keep collection records and retain |
| 10 | · / | | or 7 years after the end of the financial year to |
| 11 | | which | they relate. |
| 12 | | Penalty | y for this subsection: a fine of \$5 000. |
| 13 | (3) | The Co | ommissioner may require in writing that a |
| 14 | | | or, within a specified time — |
| 15 | | (a) | give the Commissioner a copy of, or access to, |
| 16 | | · / | the collection records of the collector; or |
| 17 | | (b) | have the collection records of the collector |
| 18 | | | audited by an auditor approved by the |
| 19 | | | Commissioner and give the Commissioner a |
| 20 | | | copy of, or access to, the audited collection |
| 21 | | | records. |
| 22 | (3A) | A colle | ector must comply with a requirement under |
| 23 | | subsec | tion (3). |
| 24 | | Penalty | y for this subsection: a fine of \$5 000. |
| 25 | (3B) | Withou | ut limiting section 12(2), the Commissioner may |
| 26 | | | e conditions relating to giving the Commissioner |
| 27 | | collect | ion records. |
| 28 | | | |
| 29 | (2) In se | ction 15 | 5(4) delete "any such penalty" and insert: |
| 30 | , | | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
| 04 | 0.00 | olty um | der subsection (2) or (3 A) |
| 31 32 | a pen | iaity uiic | der subsection (2) or (3A), |
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| 1 | 17. | Section | on 18 deleted | | |
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| 2 | | Delete | Delete section 18. | | |
| 3 | 18. | Section | Section 19 amended | | |
| 4 | (1) | In sec | tion 19(1): | | |
| 5 6 | | (a) | delete "shall be instituted" and insert: | | |
| 7 8 | | | is to be commenced | | |
| 9 10 | | (b) | delete "Minister." and insert: | | |
| 11 12 | | | Commissioner. | | |
| 13 | (2) | In sec | tion 19(2): | | |
| 14 15 | | (a) | delete "Minister" (1st and 2nd occurrence) and insert: | | |
| 16 17 | | | Commissioner | | |
| 18 19 | | (b) | delete "Minister," and insert: | | |
| 20 21 | | | Commissioner, | | |
| 22 | 19. | Section | on 20A inserted | | |
| 23 24 | | After | section 20 insert: | | |
| 25 | 20 | A. | Powers of investigation | | |
| 26 | | | The Fair Trading Act 2010 section 61 and Part 6 of | | |
| 27 | | | that Act, other than section 88E, apply for the purposes | | |
| 28 | | | of this Act. | | |
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| 1 | 20. | Sect | ion 22 inserted |
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| 2 | | Afte | r section 21 insert: |
| 3 | | | |
| 4 | | 22. | Transitional provision for Consumer Protection |
| 5 | | | Legislation Amendment Act 2018 |
| 6 | | (1) | In this section — |
| 7 8 | | | <i>authority</i> means the authority referred to in section $6(1)(g)$; |
| 9 10 | | | commencement day means the day on which the Consumer Protection Legislation Amendment Act 2018 |
| 11 | | | section 11 comes into operation. |
| 12 | | (2) | The Minister's approval of a means of giving an |
| 13 | | | authority under section 8 of this Act, as in force |
| 14 | | | immediately before commencement day, is taken, on |
| 15 | | | and from commencement day, to be a means approved |
| 16 | | | by the Commissioner under section 8 of this Act. |
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Part 4

Part 4 — Debt Collectors Licensing Act 1964 amended

| 2 | 21. | Act amended |
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| 3 | | This Part amends the <i>Debt Collectors Licensing Act 1964</i> . |
| 4 | 22. | Section 14 amended |
| 5 6 | (1) | At the end of section 14(1) insert: |
| 7 8 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$20 000. |
| 9 10 | (2) | In section 14(2) delete the Penalty and insert: |
| 11 12 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$20 000. |
| 13 | 23. | Section 17 amended |
| 14 15 | (1) | At the end of section 17(1) insert: |
| 16 17 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |
| 18 | (2) | Delete section 17(3). |
| 19 | 24. | Section 22 deleted |
| 20 | | Delete section 22. |
| 21 | 25. | Various provisions amended |
| 22 23 | | At the end of the provisions listed in the Table insert: |
| 24 25 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |

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1 Table

| s. 6(2) | s. 16(1) |
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| s. 18(4) | |

2 26. Various penalties amended

3 Amend the provisions listed in the Table as set out in the Table.

Table

| Provision | Delete | Insert |
|-------------|---|--|
| s. 5(2) | Penalty: For an individual, \$200. For a body corporate, \$400. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$50 000. |
| s. 15(5) | Penalty: \$200. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |
| s. 26(1)(h) | \$200 | \$5 000 |

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| 1 | | Part 5 — Fair Trading Act 2010 amended |
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| 2 | 27. | Act amended |
| 3 | | This Part amends the Fair Trading Act 2010. |
| 4 | 28. | Section 88E amended |
| 5 | | Before section 88E(1) insert: |
| 6 | | |
| 7 | | (1A) This section does not apply to the extent that the |
| 8 | | purpose of exercising a power under subsection (1) is |
| 9 | | in relation to a regulated activity carried on by a |
| 10 | | regulated person under the <i>Charitable Collections</i> Act 1946. |
| 11 12 | | ACI 1940. |
| 12 | | |
| 13 | 29. | Schedule 2 amended |
| 14 | | In Schedule 2 insert in alphabetical order: |
| 15 | | - |
| 16 | | Charitable Collections Act 1946 |
| 17 | | |

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| Part 6 — Home Building Contracts Act 1991 amended | | Part 6 — | Home | Building | Contracts | Act | 1991 | amende | d |
|---|--|-----------------|------|----------|------------------|-----|------|--------|---|
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| 2 | 30. | Act | amende | ed |
|--|----------------|--------|------------------|---|
| 3 | | This | Part an | nends the Home Building Contracts Act 1991. |
| 4 | 31. | Sect | ion 25B | amended |
| 5 6 | | Afte | r section | n 25B(4) insert: |
| 7 8 | | (4A) | This E work i | Division does not apply to residential building f— |
| 9 10 | | | (a) | a building permit under the <i>Building Act 2011</i> is not required for the work; or |
| 11 12 13 14 | | | (b) | if a building permit is required for the work—the work is not, or is not part of, a prescribed building service under the <i>Building Services</i> (<i>Registration</i>) <i>Act 2011</i> section 3. |
| 10 | | | | |
| 16 | 32. | Sect | ion 25D | amended |
| 17 18 | 32. (1) | | | on 25D(1) insert: |
| 17 | | | ore section | |
| 17 18 | |) Befo | ore section | on 25D(1) insert: section — nt circumstance, in relation to a builder, |
| 17 18 19 | |) Befo | In this | on 25D(1) insert: section — nt circumstance, in relation to a builder, |
| 17 18 19 20 21 | |) Befo | In this releval | on 25D(1) insert: section — nt circumstance, in relation to a builder, — |
| 17 18 19 20 21 | |) Befo | In this releval | on 25D(1) insert: section — nt circumstance, in relation to a builder, if the builder is an individual — the builder — |
| 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 | |) Befo | In this releval | on 25D(1) insert: section — nt circumstance, in relation to a builder, if the builder is an individual — the builder — (i) has died; or (ii) after due search and enquiry, cannot be |
| 117 118 119 120 221 222 223 224 | |) Befo | In this releval | on 25D(1) insert: section — nt circumstance, in relation to a builder, if the builder is an individual — the builder — (i) has died; or (ii) after due search and enquiry, cannot be found in Australia; |

| 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 | | | (d) | under Act 20 buildi renew finance | builder is a building service contractor the <i>Building Services (Registration)</i> 011 — the builder's registration as a ng service contractor was cancelled or not yed because the builder did not satisfy the cial requirements (if any) prescribed by gulations under section 18(1)(b) of that |
|---------------------------------|-----|---------|--------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 8 | | | | Act. | |
| 9 | | | | | |
| 10 | (2) | In sect | ion 25 | 5D(1): | |
| 11 | | (a) | dele | te parag | graph (a) and insert: |
| 12 | | | | - | • • • · · · |
| 13 | | | (a) | in the | case of residential building work to be |
| 14 | | | | perfor | rmed by a builder on behalf of another |
| 15 | | | | - | n, other than a developer, under a |
| 16 | | | | | ential building work contract, it insures |
| 17 | | | | | erson and that person's successors in title |
| 18 | | | | | st the following losses occurring because |
| 19 | | | | | vant circumstance exists in relation to the |
| 20 | | | | builde | er — |
| 21 | | | | (i) | loss of an amount paid by way of |
| 22 | | | | | deposit under the residential building |
| 23 | | | | | work contract, up to a limit of \$20 000 |
| 24 | | | | | or another prescribed limit; |
| 25 | | | | (ii) | loss, other than indirect, incidental or |
| 26 | | | | | consequential loss, resulting from |
| 27 | | | | | non-completion of the residential |
| 28 | | | | | building work; |
| 29 | | | | and | |

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Part 6 Home Building Contracts Act 1991 amended

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| 2 3 1 | (b) | in paragraph (b) delete "by reason of the insolvency or death of the builder or by reason of the fact that, after due search and enquiry, the builder cannot be found; and" and insert: |
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| S | | because a relevant circumstance exists in relation to the builder; and |

Part 7 — Land Valuers Licensing Act 1978 amended

| 2 | 33. | Act | amended | 1 |
|---------------------|-----|------|------------|---|
| 3 | | This | Part ame | ends the Land Valuers Licensing Act 1978. |
| 4 | 34. | Sect | ion 20 de | eleted |
| 5 | | Dele | te section | n 20. |
| 6 | 35. | Sect | ion 22 ar | nended |
| 7 8 | | Dele | te section | n 22(2)(a) and insert: |
| 9 10 11 12 | | | | an application is made during the period that begins on the day on which the licence expired and ends on the day that is 28 days after the day on which the licence expired; and |
| 14 | 36. | Sect | ion 33A | inserted |
| 15 16 | | Afte | r section | 33 insert: |
| 17 | | 33A. | Offence | e of giving false or misleading information |
| 18 19 20 | | (1) | the Con | on who gives false or misleading information to numissioner when required to give information to numissioner under this Act commits an offence. |
| 21 | | | Penalty | for this subsection: a fine of \$20 000. |
| 22 23 24 | | (2) | or misle | purposes of subsection (1), a person gives false eading information if the person does 1 or more ollowing — |
| 25 26 | | | | states anything that the person knows is false or misleading in a material particular; |
| | | | | |

| 1 | (b) | | anything from a statement without which |
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| 2 | | the sta | atement is, to the person's knowledge, |
| 3 | | mislea | ading in a material particular; |
| 4 | (c) | gives | or produces any information that — |
| 5 | | (i) | the person knows is false or misleading |
| 6 | | | in a material particular; or |
| 7 | | (ii) | omits anything without which the |
| 8 | | | information is, to the person's |
| 9 | | | knowledge, misleading in a material |
| 0 | | | particular. |
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37. Various penalties amended

Amend the provisions listed in the Table as set out in the Table.

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| Provision | Delete | Insert |
| s. 23(1) | Penalty: \$50 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$100 000. |
| s. 24(1) | Penalty: \$50 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$100 000. |
| s. 25(3) | Penalty: \$5 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$5 000. |
| s. 29A(1) | Penalty: \$2 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$2 000. |

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| 1 | | Part 8 — Real Estate and Business Agents Act 1978 amended |
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| 3 | 38. | Act amended |
| 4 | | This Part amends the <i>Real Estate and Business Agents Act 1978</i> . |
| 5 | 39. | Section 4 amended |
| 6 | (1) | In section 4(1) delete the definition of <i>agents code of conduct</i> . |
| 7 | (2) | In section 4(1) insert in alphabetical order: |
| 9 10 11 12 | | code of conduct for agents means the code of conduct for agents prescribed and published under section 101(a); |
| 13 14 15 | (3) | In section 4(1) in the definition of <i>code of conduct for sales representatives</i> delete "101;" and insert: |
| 16 17 | | 101(b); |
| 18 | 40. | Section 26 amended |
| 19 20 | (1) | In section 26 delete "On" and insert: |
| 21 22 | | (1) On |

| 1 | (2) | At the | e end of section 26 insert: |
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| 3 4 5 6 7 8 | | (2) | For subsection (1), a person is taken not to be licensed or holding a current triennial certificate in respect of the licence if the person is required to surrender a licence and triennial certificate under section 34D(2) or (3). |
| 9 | 41. | Section | on 27 amended |
| 10 | | In sec | etion 27(1): |
| 11 12 13 | | (a) | delete "a person, not being a body corporate," and insert: |
| 14 15 | | | an individual |
| 16 17 | | (b) | delete "that —" and insert: |
| 18 19 | | | that the individual — |
| 20 | | (c) | in paragraphs (a) to (c) delete "he". |
| 21 22 23 | | (d) | in paragraph (c) delete "to him to enable him" and insert: |
| 24 25 | | | to enable them |
| 26 | | (e) | in paragraph (d) delete "he". |
| 27 28 | | | The heading to amended section 27 is to read: Licensing of individuals |
| 29 | 42. | Section | on 29 amended |
| 30 | | In sec | etion 29(b) delete "that". |

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| 1 | 43. | Section 30 amended | | |
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| 2 | | Delete section 30(3) and (4). | | |
| 3 | 44. | Section 31 amended | | |
| 4 5 6 | (1) | In section 31(2)(a) delete "a person other than a body corporate or" and insert: | | |
| 7 8 | | an individual; or | | |
| 9 10 | (2) | Delete section 31(3) and insert: | | |
| 11 12 13 | | (3) The Commissioner must not renew a licensee's triennial certificate unless the Commissioner is satisfied of the matters in — | | |
| 14 15 | | (a) for an individual — section 27(1)(b), (c) and (d); or | | |
| 16 | | (b) for a firm — section 28(a), (b), (c) and (d); or | | |
| 17 18 | | (c) for a body corporate — section 29(a), (b), (c) and (d). | | |
| 19 20 | | Note: The heading to amended section 31 is to read: Licensee's triennial certificate: grant and renewal | | |
| 21 | 45. | Section 32 amended | | |
| 22 23 24 | (1) | In section 32(1): (a) delete "Where a" and insert: | | |
| 25 26 | | If a licensee's | | |

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| 1 2 3 | | (b) | | e "expired, the renewal shall be deemed to take t for the period of 3 years" and insert: |
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| 4 5 | | | expir | red or was surrendered, the renewal takes effect |
| 6 7 | | (c) | delet | e "expired." and insert: |
| 8 | | | expir | red or was surrendered. |
| 10 11 | (2) | Delete | e sectio | on 32(2) and insert: |
| 12 13 14 15 | | | 1 mont which | ensee's triennial certificate is renewed more than th but not more than 12 months after the day on the triennial certificate expired or was dered, the renewal takes effect — |
| 16 17 18 19 20 | | | (a) | if the Commissioner is satisfied that there is reasonable cause for the renewal to take effect on and from the day after the day on which the triennial certificate expired or was surrendered — on that day; or |
| 21 22 | | | (b) | otherwise — on the day the renewal is granted. |
| 23 24 | | | | ding to amended section 32 is to read: e's triennial certificate: late renewal |
| 25 | 46. | Section | n 33 a | mended |
| 26 27 | (1) | Delete | e sectio | on 33(1) and insert: |
| 28 | | (1) | This se | ection applies if — |
| 29 30 | | | (a) | a licensee's triennial certificate expires or was surrendered; and |

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| 1 2 3 4 | (b) the licensee applies to renew the certificate more than 12 months after the day on which the triennial certificate expired or was surrendered. |
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| 5 (2) 6 | In section 33(2) delete "The application shall" and insert: |
| 7 8 | The application for renewal must |
| 9 (3) | In section 33(4) delete "applicant shall" and insert: |
| 11 12 | licensee must |
| 13 (4) 14 | In section 33(5) delete "applicant" and insert: |
| 15 16 | licensee |
| 17 (5) 18 | After section 33(5) insert: |
| 19 20 21 | (6) If the triennial certificate is renewed, the renewal takes effect on the day the renewal is granted. |
| 22 23 | Note: The heading to amended section 33 is to read: Licensee's triennial certificate: late renewal after 12 months |

| 1 | 47. | Sect | ion 34 replaced | | | |
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| 2 | | Delete section 34 and insert: | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | |
| 4 | | 34. | Conditions on licences and triennial certificates | | | |
| 5 6 7 | | (1) | It is a condition of every licence that the licensee must comply with the provisions of this Act and the code of conduct for agents. | | | |
| 8 9 0 | | (2) | It is a condition of every licence that the licensee mus comply with any special condition to which the licensee's licence or triennial certificate is subject under section 34AA. | t | | |
| 3 | | 34AA. | Imposing special conditions on licences or triennial certificates | İ | | |
| 4 | | (1) | In this section — | | | |
| 5 | | | licensee includes an applicant for a licence. | | | |
| 6 | | (2) | The Commissioner may, at any time, impose a special condition on a licence or triennial certificate. | l | | |
| 8 | | (3) | Before imposing a special condition on a licence or triennial certificate, the Commissioner must — | | | |
| 20 | | | (a) give a licensee notice in writing setting out — | | | |
| 21 22 | | | (i) that the Commissioner proposes to impose the special condition; and | | | |
| 23 | | | (ii) the reasons for the proposed decision; | | | |
| 24 | | | and | | | |
| 25 | | | (iii) that the licensee may make submission | S | | |
| 26 27 | | | to the Commissioner in relation to the proposed decision within the time | | | |
| 28 | | | specified in the notice; | | | |
| 29 | | | and | | | |

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| 1 2 | | (b) | | der any submissions received under raph (a)(iii). |
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| 3 4 | (4) | | _ | a decision under subsection (2), the r must — |
| 5 6 | | (a) | - | the licensee of the Commissioner's on; and |
| 7 8 9 | | (b) | on the | decision is to impose a special condition licence or triennial certificate, give the ee notice in writing setting out — |
| 10 | | | (i) | the reasons for the decision; and |
| 11 12 13 14 | | | (ii) | that a person aggrieved by the Commissioner's decision may apply to the State Administrative Tribunal for a review of the decision under section 23. |
| 15 16 | 34AB. | Remo | _ | ecial conditions on licences or triennial |
| 10 | | cei uni | cates | |
| 17 18 19 | (1) | The Co | ommiss | sioner may remove a special condition licensee's licence or triennial |
| 17 18 | (1) | The Co | ommissed on a cate — | |
| 17 18 19 | (1) | The Coimpose certific | ommissed on a cate— at any | licensee's licence or triennial |
| 17 18 19 20 | (1) | The Composed certification (a) (b) If a licusubsect deciding the composed certification (b) and the composed certification (b) and the composed certification (c) and the composed certificati | ommiss ed on a cate — at any on appensee netion (1) and not to the commission of the categorian of the | licensee's licence or triennial time; or |
| 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 | . , | The Composed certification (a) (b) If a licusubsect deciding the composed certification (b) and the composed certification (b) and the composed certification (c) and the composed certificati | ommissed on a cate — at any on appensee in (1) and the cate's lice | licensee's licence or triennial time; or plication by the licensee. nakes an application under n(b), the Commissioner must, before o remove the special condition on the |
| 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 | . , | The Coimpose certific (a) (b) If a lic subsect deciding license | ommissed on a cate — at any on appensee in (1) and the cate's lice | licensee's licence or triennial time; or plication by the licensee. nakes an application under b(b), the Commissioner must, before o remove the special condition on the ence or triennial certificate — |

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| 1 2 3 4 | | | | (iii) | that the licensee may make submissions to the Commissioner in relation to the proposed decision within the time specified in the notice; |
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| 5 | | | | and | |
| 6 7 | | | (b) | | ler any submissions received under raph (a)(iii). |
| 8 9 | | (3) | | _ | a decision on an application by a Commissioner must — |
| 10 11 | | | (a) | _ | the licensee of the Commissioner's on; and |
| 12 13 14 | | | (b) | condit | decision is to not remove the special ion, give the licensee notice in writing g out — |
| 15 | | | | (i) | the reasons for the decision; and |
| 16 17 | | | | (ii) | that a person aggrieved by the Commissioner's decision may apply to |
| 18 19 | | | | | the State Administrative Tribunal for a review of the decision under section 23. |
| 20 | | | | | |
| 21 | 48. | Secti | ons 340 | C and 3 | 34D inserted |
| 22 | | Afteı | section | 34B ir | nsert: |
| 23 | | | | | |
| 24 25 | | 34C. | Licens certific | • | surrender licence and triennial |
| 26 27 28 | | | certific | eate, or | licence and triennial certificate held in licence, at any time. |
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| 1 2 | | 34D. | Firm or body corporate must surrender licence and triennial certificate in certain circumstances |
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| 3 4 5 | | (1) | This section applies to a licensee that is a firm or body corporate if paragraph (c) or (d) of section 28 or 29 (as is relevant) ceases to apply in relation to the licensee. |
| 6 7 8 9 | | (2) | The licensee must, within 5 days after the day on which the paragraph ceased to apply to the licensee, surrender the licensee's licence and triennial certificate held in respect of the licence, unless the licensee is carrying on business under Schedule 1 clause 6. |
| 11 12 13 14 15 16 | | (3) | If a licensee carries on business under Schedule 1 clause 6 then, at the end of the period referred to in that clause, the licensee must immediately surrender the licensee's licence and triennial certificate unless the licensee satisfies section 28(c) and (d) or section 29(c) and (d) (as is relevant). |
| 18 | 49. | Sect | ion 40B inserted |
| 19 20 | | Afte | r section 40A insert: |
| 21 22 | | 40B. | Licensee to comply with prescribed educational requirements |
| 23 24 25 | | | A licensee must comply with the educational requirements prescribed by the regulations. Penalty: a fine of \$5,000. |

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| 1 | 50. | Sect | ion 48 amended |
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| 2 | | Dele | te section 48(4) and (5) and insert: |
| 4 5 6 | | (4) | The Commissioner must not renew a sales representative's certificate of registration unless the Commissioner is satisfied — |
| 7 | | | (a) of the matters in section 47(1)(b) and (c); and |
| 8 9 10 | | | (b) that the sales representative was employed by a licensee at the time of making the application or will be employed by a licensee upon the renewal of the certificate. |
| 11 12 | | | renewal of the certificate. |
| 13 | 51. | Sect | ion 50 replaced |
| 14 | | Dele | te section 50 and insert: |
| 15 | | | |
| 16 | | 50. | Conditions on certificates of registration |
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| 17 18 19 20 | | (1) | It is a condition of every certificate of registration that the registered sales representative must comply with the provisions of this Act and the code of conduct for sales representatives. |
| 18 19 | | (1) | the registered sales representative must comply with the provisions of this Act and the code of conduct for |
| 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 | | ` ' | the registered sales representative must comply with the provisions of this Act and the code of conduct for sales representatives. It is a condition of every certificate of registration that the registered sales representative must comply with any special condition to which the sales representative's certificate of registration is subject |
| 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 | | (2) | the registered sales representative must comply with the provisions of this Act and the code of conduct for sales representatives. It is a condition of every certificate of registration that the registered sales representative must comply with any special condition to which the sales representative's certificate of registration is subject under section 50AA. Imposing special conditions on certificates of |
| 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 | | (2) 50AA. | the registered sales representative must comply with the provisions of this Act and the code of conduct for sales representatives. It is a condition of every certificate of registration that the registered sales representative must comply with any special condition to which the sales representative's certificate of registration is subject under section 50AA. Imposing special conditions on certificates of registration |

| (2) | The Commissioner may, at any time, impose a special condition on a certificate of registration. |
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| (3) | Before imposing a special condition on a certificate of registration, the Commissioner must — |
| | (a) give a registered sales representative notice in writing setting out — |
| | (i) that the Commissioner proposes to impose the special condition; and |
| | (ii) the reasons for the proposed decision; and |
| | (iii) that the registered sales representative may make submissions to the Commissioner in relation to the |

and

(b) consider any submissions received under paragraph (a)(iii).

specified in the notice;

proposed decision within the time

- (4) Subsection (3) does not apply if the special condition to be imposed on the certificate of registration restricts the type of work that may be performed under the certificate because the sales representative does not have a particular qualification that the sales representative is required to have under section 47(2) to perform the work.
- (5) After making a decision under subsection (2), the Commissioner must
 - (a) notify the registered sales representative of the Commissioner's decision; and

| 1 2 3 4 | | (b) | on the registe | decision is to impose a special condition certificate of registration, give the ered sales representative notice in writing g out — |
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| 5 | | | (i) | the reasons for the decision; and |
| 6 | | | (ii) | that a person aggrieved by the |
| 7 | | | | Commissioner's decision may apply to |
| 8 | | | | the State Administrative Tribunal for a |
| 9 | | | | review of the decision under section 23. |
| 10 11 | 50AB. | Removing special conditions on certificates of registration | | |
| 12 13 14 | (1) | The Commissioner may remove a special condition imposed on a registered sales representative's certificate of registration — | | |
| 15 | | (a) | at any | time; or |
| 16 | | (b) | on app | plication by the registered sales |
| 17 | | | repres | entative. |
| 18 19 20 21 22 | (2) | If a registered sales representative makes an application under subsection (1)(b), the Commissioner must, before deciding not to remove the special condition on the registered sales representative's certificate of registration — | | |
| 23 24 | | (a) give the registered sales representative notice in writing setting out — | | |
| 25 | | | (i) | that the Commissioner proposes to |
| 26 | | | | make a decision not to remove the |
| 27 | | | | special condition; and |
| 28 | | | (ii) | the reasons for the proposed decision; |
| 29 | | | | and |
| 30 | | | (iii) | that the registered sales representative |
| 31 | | | | may make submissions to the |
| 32 | | | | Commissioner in relation to the |

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| 1 | | | | | proposed decision within the time specified in the notice; |
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| 3 | | | | and | • |
| 4 5 | | | (b) | | der any submissions received under raph (a)(iii). |
| 6 7 8 | | (3) | | red sale | a decision on an application by a es representative, the Commissioner |
| 9 10 | | | (a) | • | the registered sales representative of the nissioner's decision; and |
| 11 12 13 | | | (b) | condit | decision is to not remove the special tion, give the registered sales entative notice in writing setting out — |
| 14 | | | | (i) | the reasons for the decision; and |
| 15 16 17 | | | | (ii) | that a person aggrieved by the Commissioner's decision may apply to the State Administrative Tribunal for a |
| 18 19 | | | | | review of the decision under section 23. |
| 20 | 52. | Sect | ion 50C | insert | ed |
| 21 22 | | Afte | r sectior | 1 50B ir | nsert: |
| 23 24 | | 50C. | | _ | entative to comply with prescribed requirements |
| 25 26 | | | | - | sentative must comply with the equirements prescribed by the regulations. |
| 27 | | | Penalt | y: a fine | e of \$5 000. |
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| 1 | 53. | Section 84 amended |
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| 2 | | In section 84(1) delete the Penalty and insert: |
| 4 | | Penalty for this subsection: |
| 5 6 7 | | (a) in the case of an offence against section 68(4) or (5), a fine of \$25 000, or 2 years' imprisonment; |
| 8 9 | | (b) in the case of an offence against section 68B(1), a fine of \$50 000; |
| 10 11 | | (c) in any other case, a fine of \$25 000. |
| 12 | 54. | Section 100A amended |
| 13 | (1) | Delete section 100A(4). |
| 14 15 | (2) | In section 100A(7) delete "subsection (4)." and insert: |
| 16 17 | | section 134A. |
| 18 | 55. | Section 102 amended |
| 19 20 | | After section 102(6) insert: |
| 21 22 23 | | (7) Despite the surrender by a person of a licence or triennial certificate or a licensee ceasing to be licensed or to hold a triennial certificate — |
| 24 25 26 27 28 29 | | (a) an allegation under subsection (1)(a) in respect of an agent may be made to the State Administrative Tribunal not later than 12 months after the day on which the licence or certificate was surrendered or the licensee ceased to be licensed or ceased holding the |
| 30 | | certificate; and |

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| 1 2 3 4 5 | | (b) the State Administrative Tribunal may exercise the powers conferred by section 103, other than the power to suspend or cancel the agent's licence or certificate. |
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| 6 | 56. | Section 103 amended |
| 7 8 | | Delete section 103(2)(c)(iii) and insert: |
| 9 10 | | (iii) the code of conduct for agents; |
| 11 | 57. | Section 116 amended |
| 12 13 | | Delete section 116(1) and (2A) and insert: |
| 14 15 16 | | (1) The Fidelity Account is to be held and applied to reimburse a person for the person's pecuniary or property loss to the extent of the defalcation of — |
| 17 18 19 | | (a) a licensee during any period when the licensee was the holder of a current triennial certificate; or |
| 20 21 | | (b) a person who ceased to be licensed or to hold a triennial certificate, if — |
| 22 23 24 25 26 | | (i) the defalcation occurred during the period of 6 months immediately following the day on which the person ceased to be licensed or the holder of the triennial certificate; and |
| 27 28 29 30 | | (ii) the chief executive officer considers that it is just and reasonable in the circumstances of the claim. |

| 1 | 58. | Section 131L amended |
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| 2 | (1) | Before section 131L(1) insert: |
| 4 5 6 7 | (1 | AA) In this section — settlement has the meaning given in the Settlement Agents Act 1981 section 3(1). |
| 8 | (2) | In section 131L(1): |
| 9 | | (a) after "date of" insert: |
| 1 | | settlement of |
| 3 | | (b) delete "prescribed form" and insert: |
| 5 6 | | approved form |
| 7 | 59. | Section 134A amended |
| 8 9 20 | (1) | In section 134A(1) delete "in relation to an application under section 24, 33, 43, 48 or 49" and insert: |
| 21 22 23 | | to the Commissioner or the chief executive officer under this Act |
| 24 | (2) | In section 134A(2): |
| 25 26 27 | | (a) delete "in relation to an application referred to in subsection (1)" and insert: |
| 28 29 | | to the Commissioner or the chief executive officer |
| 80 | | (b) in paragraph (a) delete "in relation to an application"; |

| 1 2 | | | - | ragraph cation" | (b) delete "made in relation to an; |
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| 3 4 | | (d) i | n pa | ragraph | a (c) delete "in relation to an application". |
| 5 | 60. | Section | 136 A | A amen | nded |
| 6 7 8 | | In section insert: | on 13 | 6A del | ete "licence or triennial certificate" and |
| 9 10 | | licence, | trien | nial ce | rtificate or certificate of registration |
| 11 | 61. | Schedul | le 1 d | clause 1 | 1 amended |
| 12 13 | (1) | In Scheo | lule | 1 delete | e clause 1(b) and insert: |
| 14 15 | | (| (b) | | as, within the period of 5 years immediately ing the application — |
| 16 17 18 19 | | | | (i) | held a licence, other than a licence held because the person was qualified only under paragraph (c) or (d), under this Act for at least 2 years; and |
| 20 21 22 23 | | | | (ii) | acted in the State as, and carried out the functions of, an agent for a period of at least 2 years, whether on the person's own behalf or on behalf of a firm or body corporate; |
| 24 | | | | or | |
| 25 26 | | (ł | oa) | | as, within the period of 5 years immediately ing the application — |
| 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 | | | | (i) | held for a period of at least 2 years a licence or similar authority under an approved corresponding enactment of a State or Territory to act as an agent or the approved equivalent, other than under a licence or authority held under that enactment only because the person was qualified under an |
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| 1 2 | | equivalent provision in the enactment to paragraph (c) or (d); and |
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| 3 | (ii) | acted as, and carried out the functions of, an |
| 4 | | agent or the approved equivalent for a |
| 5 | | period of at least 2 years in the State or |
| 6 | | Territory in which the licence or authority |
| 7 | | was held, whether on the person's own |
| 8 | | behalf or on behalf of a firm or body |
| 9 | | corporate; |
| 0 | or | |
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62. Various penalties amended

Amend the provisions listed in the Table as set out in the Table.

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| Provision | Delete | Insert |
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| s. 26(1) | Penalty: \$20 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$100 000. |
| s. 39(3) | Penalty: \$20 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$100 000. |
| s. 44(1), (2) and (3) | Penalty: \$3 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |
| s. 45(1), (2) and (3) | Penalty: \$3 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$25 000. |
| s. 46 | \$2 000. | a fine of \$20 000. |

Part 9 — Residential Tenancies Act 1987 amended

| 2 | 63. | Act amended |
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| 3 | | This Part amends the Residential Tenancies Act 1987. |
| 4 | 64. | Section 3 amended |
| 5 6 | | In section 3 insert in alphabetical order: |
| 7 | | common area — |
| 8 9 | | (a) means an area accessible to, or provided for the common use of, tenants; and |
| 10 11 12 13 | | (b) includes common property (as defined in the <i>Strata Titles Act 1985</i> section 3) of a strata scheme or survey strata scheme; |
| 14 | 65. | Section 22 amended |
| 15 16 | (1) | Delete section 22(2) and insert: |
| 17 18 19 | | (2) A party to any proceedings may be represented or assisted by an agent in the presentation of the party's case if — |
| 20 21 | | (a) the agent is authorised by the party to do so and is — |
| 22 23 | | (i) the property manager of the premises the subject of the proceedings; or |
| 24 25 26 27 | | (ii) employed or engaged by a non-profit association or similar body to act as an advocate for tenants or lessors in proceedings; |
| 28 | | or |
| 29 30 | | (b) the court makes an order under subsection (3C). |

| 1 | (2) | In se | ection 22 | 2(3A) after "authorisation" insert: |
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| 3 | | men | tioned in | n subsection (2)(a) |
| 5 6 | (3) | Afte | r sectio | n 22(3A) insert: |
| 7 8 9 10 | | (3B) | a party | out limiting how an agent representing or assisting y under subsection (2)(a) may represent or assist rty, the agent may initiate proceedings on behalf party. |
| 11 12 13 14 | | (3C) | represe of the | ourt may order that a party to proceedings may be ented or assisted by an agent in the presentation party's case if the court hearing the proceeding is ed that — |
| 15 16 17 | | | (a) | the party is unable to appear personally or conduct the proceedings on the party's own behalf; and |
| 18 19 20 21 | | | (b) | another party to the proceedings will not be disadvantaged by the party being represented by, or assisted by, the agent. |
| 22 | 66. | Sect | ion 38 a | amended |
| 23 24 | | In se | ection 38 | 8(1)(c) delete "premises." and insert: |
| 25 26 27 | | - | nises or, mon are | where relevant, a common area or chattels in the ea. |

| 1 | 67. | Secti | ion 47 a | mended |
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| 2 | (1) | Befo | re sectio | on 47(1) insert: |
| 4 | | (1A) | In this | section — |
| 5 | | | disabili | ity means a disability — |
| 6 7 8 9 | | | (a) | which is attributable to an intellectual, psychiatric, cognitive, neurological, sensory, or physical impairment or a combination of those impairments; and |
| 10 11 | | | (b) | which is permanent or likely to be permanent; and |
| 12 13 | | | (c) | which may or may not be of a chronic or episodic nature; and |
| 14 15 16 17 | | | (d) | which results in a substantially reduced capacity of the person for communication, social interaction, learning or mobility. |
| 18 19 | (2) | In se | ction 47 | (1) delete "subsection (4)," and insert: |
| 20 21 | | subs | ections (| 2A) and (4), |
| 22 23 | (3) | After | r section | 47(2) insert: |
| 24 25 | | (2A) | It is a to | erm of every residential tenancy agreement |
| 26 27 28 29 | | | (a) | a tenant may affix either or both of the following items to a wall of premises the subject of the agreement for the purpose of ensuring the safety of a child or a person with a disability, but only with the lessor's consent— |
| 31 | | | | (i) furniture; |

| 1 | | (ii) | a thing to affix the furniture to the wall; |
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| 2 | | and | |
| 3 | (b) | the les | ssor may only refuse consent — |
| 4 5 | | (i) | if affixing the item to the wall would disturb material containing asbestos; or |
| 6 7 8 | | (ii) | if the premises are entered in the Register of Heritage Places compiled under the <i>Heritage of Western Australia</i> |
| 9 10 11 12 13 | | (iii) | Act 1990 section 46; or if the premises is a lot in a scheme under the Strata Titles Act 1985, the by-laws for the scheme prohibit affixing the item to the wall of the premises; or |
| 14 | | (iv) | for a prescribed reason; |
| 15 | | and | |
| 16 17 18 19 | (c) | the ter | the lessor agrees otherwise in writing, nant must remove the item from the wall the tenant vacates the premises and — |
| 20 21 | | (i) | restore the wall to its original condition; or |
| 22 23 24 | | (ii) | compensate the lessor for any reasonable expenses incurred by the lessor in doing that restoration; |
| 25 | | and | |
| 26 27 28 | (d) | remov | st of affixing the item to the wall, ying it and restoring the wall to its original tion must be borne by the tenant; and |

| 1 2 3 | | (e) | when | tenant causes damage to the premises affixing or removing the item or restoring all to its original condition — |
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| 4 5 6 | | | (i) | the tenant must notify the lessor in writing that damage has been caused to the premises; and |
| 7 8 9 10 11 | | | (ii) | the lessor may require the tenant to repair the damage and restore the premises to their original condition or compensate the lessor for the reasonable expenses incurred in doing the repair and restoration. |
| 13 14 15 | | furnitu | re or th | taken to have consented to affixing the hing to the wall of the premises under A)(a) if, and only if — |
| 16 17 18 19 | | (a) | form a | nant has given the lessor a request, in a approved by the Commissioner, seeking ssor's consent to affix the item to the wall; |
| 20 21 22 23 | | (b) | subsec | ssor has not refused consent under ction (2A)(b) within 14 days after the day ich the lessor receives the request. |
| 24 | 68. | Section 49A | amen | ded |
| 25 26 | (1) | In section 49 | 9A(1) ir | nsert in alphabetical order: |
| 27 28 29 | | | consur | , in relation to a public utility service, nption of the utility that is calculated by |
| 30 31 32 | | | _ | ny has the meaning given in the <i>Strata</i> 35 section 3(1). |

| 1 2 3 | (2) | | | A(1) in ' and in | the definition of <i>public utility services</i> sert: |
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| 4 5 | | 3(1); | | | |
| 6 7 | (3) | Delete | e sectio | n 49A(| 2) and insert: |
| 8 9 | | | | | every residential tenancy agreement that to (5) are terms of the agreement if — |
| 0 | | | (a) | - | c utility service is provided in relation to emises the subject of the agreement; and |
| 2 3 4 5 | | | (b) | contra | blic utility service is provided under a ct between the provider of the public service and the lessor or a strata ny. |
| 6 | | | | nant mu only if | est pay a charge for the provision of the |
| 9 | | | (a) | | arge is for the tenant's consumption of lity at the premises; and |
| 20 | | | (b) | either - | <u> </u> |
| 21 | | | | (i) | the tenant's consumption of the utility is separately metered; or |
| 23 24 | | | | (ii) | although consumption at the premises is not separately metered, the charge is |
| 25 | | | | | calculated in accordance with a method |
| 26 27 | | | | | previously agreed to in writing by the lessor and the tenant; |
| 28 | | | | and | lessor and the tenant, |
| 29 | | | (c) | | sor gives the tenant a written notice |
| 29 30 | | | (0) | | subsection (4) within 30 days after the |
| 31 | | | | | receives an invoice for the public utility |
| 32 | | | | service | |
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| 1 | (4) | The no | otice must be in writing and set out the full |
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| 2 | | details | of the account for the charge, including — |
| 3 | | (a) | the total charge for the tenant's consumption of |
| 4 | | | the utility; and |
| 5 | | (b) | if consumption at the premises is metered — |
| 6 | | | (i) the meter readings; and |
| 7 | | | (ii) the charge per metered unit; |
| 8 | | | and |
| 9 | | (c) | if consumption at the premises is not |
| 10 | | | metered — the charge calculated by the method |
| 11 | | | agreed to under subsection (3)(b)(ii); and |
| 12 | | (d) | the amount of GST payable in respect of the |
| 13 | | | provision of the service to the premises. |
| 14 | (5) | Howev | ver, despite subsection (3)(c), if the tenancy ends |
| 15 | | within | 30 days after the lessor receives an invoice for |
| 16 | | _ | blic utility service, or the lessor receives the |
| 17 | | invoice | e after the tenancy has ended, the lessor — |
| 18 | | (a) | is not required to give the written notice under |
| 19 | | | subsection (4) within 30 days after the lessor |
| 20 | | | receives the invoice; and |
| 21 | | (b) | may give the notice to the tenant (or former |
| 22 | | | tenant) as soon as practicable after the lessor |
| 23 | | | receives the notice and locates the tenant. |
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| 1 | 69. | Section 73 amended |
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| 2 3 4 5 6 | | In section 73(1) delete "permit, serious damage to the premises or injury to the lessor or the property manager of the premises or any person in occupation of or permitted on adjacent premises." and insert: |
| 7 | | permit — |
| 8 9 10 | | (a) serious damage to the premises or, where relevant, a common area or chattels in the common area; or |
| 11 | | (b) injury to — |
| 12 | | (i) the lessor; or |
| 13 | | (ii) the property manager of the premises; or |
| 14 15 16 | | (iii) any person in occupation of or permitted on adjacent premises. |
| 17 | 70. | Section 82B amended |
| 18 19 | (1) | In section 82B delete "This" and insert: |
| 20 21 | | (1) This |
| 22 23 | (2) | After section 82B(1) insert: |
| 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 | | (2) This Part applies to a database operator, regardless of whether the database operator is inside or outside of the State, if the database operator operates a residential tenancy database containing personal information — (a) about a person who resides in the State; or (b) relating to, or arising from, the occupation of residential premises under a residential tenancy agreement within the State. |
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| 1 | 71. | Part 8 inserted | | | |
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| 2 | | Afte | After section 97 insert: | | |
| 3 | | | | | |
| 4 | | Part | 8 — Transitional provision relating to the | | |
| 5 | | Con | isumer Protection Legislation Amendment | | |
| 6 | | | Act 2018 | | |
| 7 8 | | 98. | Application of s. 49A to residential tenancy agreements and utility charges | | |
| 9 | | (1) | In this section — | | |
| 10 11 12 | | | commencement day means the day on which the Consumer Protection Legislation Amendment Act 2018 section 68 comes into operation; | | |
| 13 14 | | | <i>public utility services</i> has the meaning given in the <i>Land Administration Act 1997</i> section 3(1). | | |
| 15 16 17 18 19 | | (2) | Subject to subsections (3) and (4), section 49A, as in force on and after commencement day, applies to a residential tenancy agreement (to the extent relevant) even though it was entered into before commencement day. | | |
| 20 21 22 23 24 25 | | (3) | If a tenant is provided with full details of an account for a charge for a public utility service and the charge was not paid in full before commencement day, section 49A, as in force immediately before commencement day continues to apply to the payment of the charge. | | |
| 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 | | (4) | If, before commencement day, a lessor or strata company received a notice of account in relation to a public utility service and the lessor or strata company has not given the tenant full details of the account for the charge, the 30 day requirement in section 49A(3)(c) does not apply. | | |

| 1 |] | Part 10 — Settlement Agents Act 1981 amended |
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| 2 | 72. | Act amended |
| 3 | | This Part amends the Settlement Agents Act 1981. |
| 4 | 73. | Section 4 amended |
| 5 6 | | In section 4(2) delete "section 34(2)(a) and (b)," and insert: |
| 7 8 | | section 34AA(3), |
| 9 | 74. | Section 26 amended |
| 10 11 | | After section 26(2) insert: |
| 12 13 14 15 16 | | (3) For subsection (1), a person is taken not to be licensed or holding a current triennial certificate in respect of the licence if the person is required to surrender a licence and triennial certificate under section 34D(2) and (3). |
| 18 | 75. | Section 27 amended |
| 19 | | In section 27(1): |
| 20 21 22 | | (a) delete "a person, not being a body corporate," and insert: |
| 23 24 | | an individual |
| 25 26 | | (b) delete "that —" and insert: |
| 27 28 | | that the individual — |

(c) in paragraphs (a) to (c) delete "he".

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| 1 | | (d) | in pa | aragraph (c) delete "to him to enable him" and |
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| 4 | | | to er | nable them |
| 5 | | | | |
| 6 7 | | (e) | in pa | aragraphs (d) and (e) delete "he". |
| 8 | | Note: 7 | Γhe hea | ding to amended section 27 is to read: |
| 9 | | | Licensi | ing of individuals |
| 10 | 76. | Section | on 30 a | amended |
| 11 | | Delet | e secti | on 30(4) and (5). |
| 12 | 77. | Section | on 31 a | amended |
| 13 | (1) | In sec | ction 3 | 1(2)(a) delete "a person other than a body corporate; |
| 14 | () | | nd inse | 1 1 1 |
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| 16 | | an inc | dividua | alt or |
| 16 17 | | an me | ii v iuuc | 11, 01 |
| 17 | | | | |
| 18 | (2) | Delet | e secti | on 31(2A) and insert: |
| 19 | | | | |
| 20 | | (2A) | The C | Commissioner must not renew a licensee's |
| 21 | | | trienn | ial certificate unless the Commissioner is |
| 22 | | | satisfi | ed of the matters in — |
| 23 | | | (a) | for an individual — section 27(1)(b), (c), (d) |
| 24 | | | () | and (e); or |
| 25 | | | (b) | for a firm — section 28(1)(a), (b), (c) and (d); |
| 26 | | | (-) | or |
| 27 | | | (c) | for a body corporate — section 29(1)(a), (b), |
| 28 | | | (-) | (c) and (d). |
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| 1 2 | (3) | Delete section 31(3)(a) and insert: |
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| 3 4 5 | | (a) if the licensee is an individual, the individual; or |
| 6 7 | | Note: The heading to amended section 31 is to read: Licensee's triennial certificate: grant and renewal |
| 8 | 78. | Section 32 amended |
| 9 10 | (1) | In section 32(1): (a) delete "Where a" and insert: |
| 11 12 13 | | If a licensee's |
| 14 15 16 | | (b) delete "expired, the renewal shall be deemed to take effect for the period of 3 years" and insert: |
| 17 18 | | expired or was surrendered, the renewal takes effect |
| 19 20 | | (c) delete "expired." and insert: |
| 21 22 | | expired or was surrendered. |
| 23 24 | (2) | Delete section 32(2) and insert: |
| 25 26 27 28 | | (2) If a licensee's triennial certificate is renewed more than 1 month but not more than 12 months after the day on which the triennial certificate expired or was surrendered, the renewal takes effect — |
| 29 30 31 | | (a) if the Commissioner is satisfied that there is reasonable cause for the renewal to take effect on and from the day after the day on which the |
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| 1 | | triennial certificate expired or was surrendered — on that day; or |
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| 3 | | (b) otherwise — on the day the renewal is granted. |
| 5 6 | | Note: The heading to amended section 32 is to read: Licensee's triennial certificate: late renewal |
| 7 | 79. | Section 33 amended |
| 8 | (1) | Delete section 33(1) and insert: |
| 10 | | (1) This section applies if — |
| 11 12 | | (a) a licensee's triennial certificate expires or was surrendered; and |
| 13 14 15 16 | | (b) the licensee applies to renew the certificate more than 12 months after the day on which the triennial certificate expired or was surrendered. |
| 17 18 | (2) | In section 33(2) delete "The application shall" and insert: |
| 19 20 | | The application for renewal must |
| 21 22 | (3) | In section 33(4) delete "applicant shall" and insert: |
| 23 24 | | licensee must |
| 25 26 | (4) | In section 33(5) delete "applicant" and insert: |
| 27 28 | | licensee |

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| 1 | (5) | After | section 33(5) insert: |
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| 3 4 5 | | (6) | If the triennial certificate is renewed, the renewal takes effect on the day the renewal is granted. |
| 6 7 | | Note: | The heading to amended section 33 is to read: Licensee's triennial certificate: late renewal after 12 months |
| 8 | 80. | Section | on 34 replaced |
| 9 10 | | Delet | e section 34 and insert: |
| 11 | 34 | • | Conditions on licences and triennial certificates |
| 12 13 14 | | (1) | It is a condition of every licence that the licensee must comply with the provisions of this Act and the settlement agents' code of conduct. |
| 15 16 17 18 | | (2) | It is a condition of every licence that the licensee must comply with any special condition to which the licensee's licence or triennial certificate is subject under section 34AA. |
| 19 20 | 34 | AA. | Imposing special conditions on licences or triennial certificates |
| 21 | | (1) | In this section — |
| 22 | | | licensee includes an applicant for a licence. |
| 23 24 | | (2) | The Commissioner may, at any time, impose a special condition on a licence or triennial certificate. |
| 25 26 | | (3) | Without limiting subsection (2), the Commissioner may impose a condition that relates to — |
| 27 28 | | | (a) the holding of a policy of indemnity insurance or fidelity insurance in a specified amount; or |

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| 1 2 | | (b) | contri | yment of fees under this Act or to butions to the Account and may vary such |
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| 3 | | | prescr | ibed fees or contributions. |
| 4 5 | (4) | | - | ing a special condition on a licence or ficate, the Commissioner must — |
| 6 | | (a) | give a | licensee notice in writing setting out — |
| 7 | | (4) | (i) | that the Commissioner proposes to |
| 8 | | | (1) | impose the special condition; and |
| 9 10 | | | (ii) | the reasons for the proposed decision; and |
| 11 | | | (iii) | that the licensee may make submissions to the Commissioner in relation to the |
| 12 13 | | | | proposed decision within the time |
| 14 | | | | specified in the notice; |
| 15 | | | and | |
| 16 17 | | (b) | | der any submissions received under raph (a)(iii). |
| 18 19 | (5) | | _ | a decision under subsection (2), the r must — |
| 20 21 | | (a) | - | the licensee of the Commissioner's on; and |
| 22 | | (b) | if the | decision is to impose the special |
| 23 | | () | | tion, give the licensee notice in writing |
| 24 | | | setting | g out — |
| 25 | | | (i) | the reasons for the decision; and |
| 26 | | | (ii) | that a person aggrieved by the |
| 27 | | | | Commissioner's decision may apply to |
| 28 | | | | the State Administrative Tribunal for a |
| 29 | | | | review of the decision under section 23. |

| 1 2 | 34AB. | Remo certifi | | ecial conditions on licences or triennial |
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| 3 4 5 | (1) | The Commissioner may remove a special condition imposed on a licensee's licence or triennial certificate — | | |
| 6 | | (a) | at any | time; or |
| 7 | | (b) | on app | plication by the licensee. |
| 8 9 10 11 | (2) | Comm | nissione 1 condit | e applies under subsection (1)(b), the r must, before deciding not to remove the ion on the licensee's licence or triennial |
| 12 | | (a) | give tl | he licensee notice in writing setting out — |
| 13 14 15 | | | (i) | that the Commissioner proposes to make a decision not to remove the special condition; and |
| 16 17 | | | (ii) | the reasons for the proposed decision; and |
| 18 19 20 21 | | | (iii) | that the licensee may make submissions to the Commissioner in relation to the proposed decision within the time specified in the notice; |
| 22 | | | and | |
| 23 24 | | (b) | | ler any submissions received under raph (a)(iii). |
| 25 26 | (3) | | _ | a decision on an application by a Commissioner must — |
| 27 28 | | (a) | - | the licensee of the Commissioner's on; and |
| 29 30 31 | | (b) | condit | decision is to not remove the special ion, give the licensee notice in writing g out — |
| 32 | | | (i) | the reasons for the decision; and |

| 1 2 3 4 5 | | | (ii) | that a person aggrieved by the Commissioner's decision may apply to the State Administrative Tribunal for a review of the decision under section 23. |
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| 6 | 81. | Sect | ions 34C and 3 | 34D inserted |
| 7 8 | | Afte | r section 34B ir | nsert: |
| 9 10 | | 34C. | Licensee may certificate | surrender licence and triennial |
| 11 12 13 | | | certificate, or | ly surrender the licensee's triennial licence and triennial certificate held in licence, at any time. |
| 14 15 | | 34D. | | corporate must surrender licence and ificate in certain circumstances |
| 16 17 18 19 | | (1) | corporate if pa | pplies to a licensee that is a firm or body aragraph (c) or (d) of section 28(1) or levant) ceases to apply in relation to the |
| 20 21 22 23 24 | | (2) | the paragraph the licensee's respect of the | must, within 5 days after the day on which ceased to apply to the licensee, surrender licence and triennial certificate held in licence, unless the licensee is carrying on a Schedule 1 clause 10. |
| 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 | | (3) | clause 10 ther that clause, th the licensee's licensee satisf | arries on business under Schedule 1 a, at the end of the period referred to in e licensee must immediately surrender licence and triennial certificate unless the lies section 28(1)(c) and (d) or c) and (d) (as is relevant). |

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| 1 | 82. | Section 41B in | nserted |
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| 2 | | After section 4 | 1A insert: |
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| 4 5 | 4 | 41B. Licensee requirer | e to comply with prescribed educational ments |
| 6 | | A license | ee must comply with the educational tents prescribed by the regulations. |
| 8 9 | | Penalty: | a fine of \$5 000. |
| 10 | 83. | Section 65 am | ended |
| 11 12 | | In section 65(1 |) delete the Penalty and insert: |
| 13 | | Penalty f | For this subsection: |
| 14 15 16 | | (a) | in the case of an offence against section 49(4) or (5), a fine of \$25 000, or 2 years' imprisonment; |
| 17 18 | | (b) | in the case of an offence against section 49B(1), a fine of \$50 000; |
| 19 20 | | (c) | in any other case, a fine of \$25 000. |
| 21 | 84. | Section 81A a | mended |
| 22 | (1) | Delete section | 81A(4). |
| 23 24 | (2) | In section 81A | (7) delete "subsection (4)." and insert: |
| 25 26 | | section 111A. | |

| 1 | 85. | Section 83 amended | | |
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| 2 | (1) | In section 83 delete "The" and insert: | | |
| 4 5 | | (1) The | | |
| 6 7 | (2) | At the end of section 83 insert: | | |
| 8 9 10 | | (2) Despite the surrender by a person of a licence or triennial certificate or a licensee ceasing to be licensed or to hold a triennial certificate — | | |
| 11 12 13 14 15 16 | | (a) an allegation under subsection (1) in respect of a person may be made to the State Administrative Tribunal not later than 12 months after the day on which the licence or certificate was surrendered or the licensee ceased to be licensed or ceased holding the certificate; and | | |
| 18 19 20 21 | | (b) the State Administrative Tribunal may exercise the powers conferred by section 84, other than the power to suspend or cancel the person's licence or certificate. | | |
| 23 | 86. | Section 93 amended | | |
| 24 25 | | Delete section 93(1) and (2A) and insert: | | |
| 26 27 28 | | (1) The Account is to be held and applied to reimburse a person for the person's pecuniary or property loss to the extent of the defalcation of — | | |
| 29 30 31 | | (a) a licensee during any period when the licensee was the holder of a current triennial certificate; or | | |

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| 1 2 | | | • • | on who ceased to be the holder of a e or triennial certificate, if — |
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| 3 4 5 | | | (i) | the defalcation occurred during the period of 6 months immediately following the day on which the person |
| 6 7 | | | | ceased to be licensed or the holder of the triennial certificate; and |
| 8 9 | | | (ii) | the chief executive officer considers that it is just and reasonable in the |
| 10 11 | | | | circumstances of the claim. |
| 12 | 87. | Section | n 111A amen | nded |
| 13 14 15 | (1) | | | delete "in relation to an application under B, 31 or 33" and insert: |
| 16 17 18 | | to the (Act | Commissione | r or the chief executive officer under this |
| 19 | (2) | In sect | ion 111A(2): | |
| 20 21 22 | | (a) | | lation to an application referred to in 1)" and insert: |
| 23 24 | | | to the Comn | nissioner or the chief executive officer |
| 25 | | (b) | in paragraph | (a) delete "in relation to an application"; |
| 26 27 | | (c) | in paragraph application" | (b) delete "made in relation to an; |
| 28 | | (d) | in paragraph | (c) delete "in relation to an application". |

88. Various penalties amended

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2 Amend the provisions listed in the Table as set out in the Table.

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| s. 26(1) | Penalty: \$20 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$100 000. |
| s. 40(3) | Penalty: \$20 000. | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$100 000. |

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| 1 | Pa | rt 11 — Street Collections (Regulation) Act 1940 amended |
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| 3 | 89. | Act amended |
| 4 | | This Part amends the Street Collections (Regulation) Act 1940. |
| 5 | 90. | Section 2 amended |
| 6 | (1) | In section 2 delete the definition of <i>Metropolitan area</i> . |
| 7 8 | (2) | In section 2 insert in alphabetical order: |
| 9 10 11 | | <i>metropolitan region</i> has the meaning given by the <i>Planning and Development Act 2005</i> section 4(1); |
| 12 13 14 | (3) | In section 2 in the definition of <i>Collection</i> delete "contributions." and insert: |
| 15 16 | | contributions; |
| 17 | 91. | Section 3 amended |
| 18 19 | (1) | In section 3(1) delete "area" and insert: |
| 20 21 | | region |
| 22 23 | (2) | At the end of section 3(1) insert: |
| 24 25 | | Penalty for this subsection: a fine of \$5 000. |
| 26 | | Note: The heading to amended section 3 is to read: |
| 27 28 | | No collection in metropolitan region except by permission of Minister |

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| 1 | 92. | Section 6 amended |
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| 2 | | At the end of section 6 insert: |
| 3 | | Penalty: a fine of \$5 000. |
| 5 | | Tenarty, a fine of \$5 000. |
| 6 | 93. | Section 7 amended |
| 7 | | In section 7(2) delete "\$40" and insert: |
| 8 9 | | a fine of \$2 000 |
| 10 | | a fine of \$2 000 |
| 11 | 94. | Section 8 deleted |
| 12 | | Delete section 8. |

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