Western Australia

Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction (Hot Water Systems) Bill 2007

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

(Introduced by Hon Paul Llewellyn MLC)

Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction (Hot Water Systems) Bill 2007

A Bill for

An Act to promote the use of solar and other efficient hot water systems in Western Australia.

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

Part 1 — Preliminary

1. Short title

This is the *Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction (Hot Water Systems) Act* 2007.

5 **2.** Commencement

This Act comes into operation on Royal Assent.

3. Definitions

"compliant heat pump hot water system" means —

- (a) a heat pump solar hot water system that complies with such requirements as are prescribed; or
- (b) if no requirements have been prescribed, a heat pump solar hot water system, complying with Australian Standard 2712-2002 that has been tested in accordance with Australian Standard 4234-1994, and achieves a minimum energy saving of 60 per cent for a hot water demand level of 38MJ per day for climate zone 3:

"compliant gas hot water system" means —

- (a) a gas hot water system that complies with such requirements as are prescribed; or
- (b) if no requirements have been prescribed, a gas hot water system, complying with Australian Standard 4552-2005, that achieves a minimum energy rating of "5 stars";

"compliant solar hot water system" means —

- (a) a solar hot water system that complies with such requirements as are prescribed; or
- (b) if no requirements have been prescribed, a solar hot water system, complying with Australian Standard 2712-2002, that has been tested in accordance with

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Australian Standard 4234-1994, and achieves minimum energy saving of 60 per cent for a hot water demand level of 38MJ per day for climate zone 3;

"hot water system" means a system that is to supply hot water for amenity purposes including washing, bathing or showering.

4. Objects of Act

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The object of this Act is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with the use of hot water systems in Western Australia.

5. Crown Bound

This Act binds the Crown in right of the State and, subject to the limits of the legislative power of the State, the Crown in all its other capacities.

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Part 2 — Restriction on sale and hire of hot water systems

6. Restriction on sale, hire etc of hot water systems

From 1 July 2009 a hot water system shall not be sold, hired or exposed for sale or hire or advertised for sale or hire, unless it is —

- a compliant solar hot water system; (a)
- (b) a compliant gas hot water system;
- (c) a compliant heat pump hot water system; or
- such other hot water system as is prescribed. (d)

Penalty: \$20,000

Part 3 — General

7. Regulations

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- (1) The Governor may make regulations prescribing all matters that are required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed, or are necessary or convenient to be prescribed, for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) Regulations made under subsection 6(1)(d) may not be made unless the Minister is satisfied that the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the hot water system are equivalent to or less than the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the operation of one or more of the other systems listed in subsection 6(1).
- (3) Regulations made under section 3 to establish alternative requirements for the hot water system referred to in that section shall not be made unless the Minister is satisfied that the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the alternative requirements are equal to or less than the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the existing requirements.

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