

**TIMBER INDUSTRY (INTERIM PROTECTION)
AMENDMENT BILL 1994***

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

The object of this Bill is to amend the Timber Industry (Interim Protection) Act 1992 in order:

- (a) to prevent logging operations from being carried out in old growth forests comprising the substantial part of the Eden Native Forest Management Area until an environmental impact statement under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 is obtained and the logging operations have been approved by the Minister for Planning; and
- (b) to allow logging operations to be carried out in other parts of the Eden Native Forest Management Area pending the obtaining of an environmental impact statement; and
- (c) to specify 31 December 1995 as the date by which the Forestry Commission should obtain the environmental impact statement for that part of the Eden Native Forest Management Area where logging operations are being allowed; and
- (d) to extend, from 31 December 1994 to 31 December 1995, the day on which that Act expires.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the proposed Act to commence on the date of assent.

Clause 3 amends the Timber Industry (Interim Protection) Act 1992 as set out in Schedule 1.

* Amended in committee—see table at end of volume.

Timber Industry (Interim Protection) Amendment 1994 [Act 1994 No. 21]

SCHEDULE 1—AMENDMENTS

Schedule 1 (1) extends the expiration date of the Timber Industry (Interim Protection) Act 1992 from 31 December 1994 to 31 December 1995.

Schedule 1 (2) adds parts of the Eden Native Forest Management Area to the substantial areas of old growth forests on which no logging operations may be carried out until an environmental impact statement is obtained.

Schedule 1 (3) adds parts of the Eden Native Forest Management Area to the forest areas in which logging operations may be carried out pending the obtaining of an environmental impact statement.
