# DEFAMATION (COMMUNITY WELFARE) AMENDMENT ACT, 1982, No. 82

# New South Wales



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Act No. 82, 1982.

An Act to amend the Defamation Act, 1974, so that the defence of absolute privilege extends to reports published under section 119 (4) of the Community Welfare Act, 1982, by a Board of Review established under that Act. [Assented to, 25th May, 1982.]

### Defamation (Community Welfare) Amendment.

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

#### Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Defamation (Community Welfare) Amendment Act, 1982".

#### Commencement.

- 2. (1) This section and section 1 shall commence on the date of assent to this Act.
- (2) Except as provided by subsection (1), this Act shall commence on the day appointed and notified under section 2 (2) of the Community Welfare Act, 1982.

### Amendment of Act No. 18, 1974.

3. The Defamation Act, 1974, is amended by inserting after section 17F the following section:—

## Matters arising under Community Welfare Act, 1982.

17G. There is a defence of absolute privilege for the publication of a report made under section 119 (4) of the Community Welfare Act, 1982, by a Board of Review established under that Act.