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Act No 124, 2010

An Act to amend the *Education Act 1990* in relation to ethics education at government schools. [Assented to 7 December 2010]

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Education Amendment (Ethics) Act 2010*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

3 Amendment of Education Act 1990 No 8

Section 33A

Insert after section 33:

33A Special education in ethics as secular alternative to special religious education

- (1) Special education in ethics is allowed as a secular alternative to special religious education at government schools.
- (2) If the parent of a child objects to the child receiving special religious education, the child is entitled to receive special education in ethics, but only if:
 - (a) it is reasonably practicable for special education in ethics to be made available to the child at the government school, and
 - (b) the parent requests that the child receive special education in ethics.
- (3) A government school cannot be directed (by the Minister or otherwise) not to make special education in ethics available at the school.

[Agreement in principle speech made in Legislative Assembly on 26 November 2010
Second reading speech made in Legislative Council on 1 December 2010]

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