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GAS AMENDMENT BILL 2005

(Brought in by the Minister for Infrastructure, Energy and Resources, the Honourable Bryan Alexander Green)

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Gas Act 2000 and the Gas Pipelines Act 2000

Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

PART 1 – PRELIMINARY

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Gas Amendment Act 2005.

2. Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
PART 2 – GAS ACT 2000 AMENDED

3. Principal Act

In this Part, the *Gas Act 2000* is referred to as the Principal Act.

4. Section 3 amended (Interpretation)

Section 3(1) of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

(a) by omitting “customer;” from paragraph (b) of the definition of “gas supply point” and substituting “customer; or”;

(b) by inserting the following after paragraph (b) in the definition of “gas supply point”:

(c) if paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply, the point of supply between a pipeline, or a pipeline of a class of pipelines –

(i) declared under section 3(3) of the *Gas Pipelines Act 2000* to be treated as a transmission pipeline for the purposes of that Act; and

(ii) declared under subsection (3) of this Act to be treated as not
(c) by inserting the following definition after the definition of “licence”:

“licensee under the Gas Pipelines Act” means the holder of a pipeline licence granted and in force under Division 3 of Part 2 of the Gas Pipelines Act 2000;

5. Section 52 amended (Offence to supply or sell gas for unsafe gas installation)

Section 52(2) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting “or licensee under the Gas Pipelines Act” after “entity”.

6. Section 53 amended (Mandatory reporting of gas incidents)

Section 53(2) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting “or licensee under the Gas Pipelines Act” after “entity”.

PART 3 – GAS PIPELINES ACT 2000 AMENDED

7. Principal Act

In this Part, the *Gas Pipelines Act 2000* is referred to as the Principal Act.

8. Section 34 amended (Mandatory reporting of incidents)

Section 34 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (2).