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EDUCATION AMENDMENT BILL 2009

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EDUCATION AMENDMENT BILL 2009

(Brought in by the Minister for Education and Skills, the Honourable David John Bartlett)

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Education Act 1994

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:

1. Short title
   
   This Act may be cited as the Education Amendment Act 2009.

2. Commencement
   
   This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

3. Principal Act
   
   In this Act, the Education Act 1994* is referred to as the Principal Act.

*No. 86 of 1994
4. **Section 46 amended (Education before compulsory education)**

Section 46 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

(a) by inserting the following subsections after subsection (1):

(1A) The Secretary may allow a child who has not attained the age of 4 years, or a class of children who have not attained the age of 4 years, to be enrolled at, and attend, a State school if the Secretary believes that it is in the best interests of the child or children.

(1B) For the avoidance of doubt, where, before the commencement of the *Education Amendment Act 2009*, any child was enrolled at, and attended, a State school before attaining the age of 4 years, that enrolment, and that attendance, is taken to have been valid.

(b) by omitting from subsection (2) “subsection (1)” and substituting “this section”.
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5. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the ninetieth day from the day on which it commences.