

TASMANIA

FORESTRY AMENDMENT BILL 2009

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This Public Bill originated in the House of Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

P. R. ALCOCK, *Clerk of the House*
15 October 2009

(Brought in by the Minister for Energy and Resources, the Honourable David Edward Llewellyn)

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Forestry Act 1920*

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 *Forestry Amendment Act 2009*.

2. Commencement

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

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3. Principal Act

In this Act, the *Forestry Act 1920** is referred to as the Principal Act.

4. Section 4D inserted

After section 4C of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Part I:

4D. Exemption of certain vehicles from laws specifying vehicle mass, weight or dimension limits

(1) In this section –

“combination” has the same meaning as in the *Vehicle and Traffic Act 1999*;

“vehicle” has the same meaning as in the *Vehicle and Traffic Act 1999*.

(2) Except as otherwise provided by the regulations, a law of Tasmania does not apply in respect of the use of a vehicle, or combination, on a forest road if the law would otherwise operate to prohibit or restrict the use on a forest road of a vehicle, or combination, that exceeds a certain mass, weight or dimension (whether inclusive or exclusive of its load).

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5. Section 25 amended (Signage)

Section 25 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (1) the following subsection:

- (1A) The corporation shall, wherever practicable, erect signs stating that a particular road is a forestry road.

6. Section 26 amended (Closure of forest roads)

Section 26 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

- (a) by omitting “vehicular traffic.” from the definition of “prescribed sign” in subsection (1) and substituting “all traffic or to a class of traffic;”;
- (b) by inserting the following definition after the definition of “prescribed sign” in subsection (1):

“traffic” means pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

- (c) by omitting from subsection (2) “vehicular traffic” and substituting “all traffic, or to a class of traffic;”;
- (d) by omitting from subsection (6) “vehicular traffic” and substituting “all traffic, or to a class of traffic.”.

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7. Repeal of Act

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