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*(Brought in by the Minister for Justice, the Honourable Dr  
Vanessa Goodwin)*

**A BILL FOR**

**An Act to amend the *Health Practitioners Tribunal Act 2010***

Be it enacted by Her 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 *Health Practitioners Tribunal Amendment Act 2015*.

**2. Commencement**

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

**3. Principal Act**

In this Act, the *Health Practitioners Tribunal Act 2010*\* is referred to as the Principal Act.

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\*No. 12 of 2010

*Health Practitioners Tribunal Amendment Act 2015*  
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**4. Section 8 amended (Chairperson)**

Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

- (1) The Minister may appoint to be the Chairperson of the Tribunal –
  - (a) a magistrate recommended by the Chief Magistrate; or
  - (b) an Australian lawyer of not less than 5 years' standing as an Australian legal practitioner.

**5. Section 9 amended (Deputy Chairperson)**

Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

- (1) The Minister may appoint to be the Deputy Chairperson of the Tribunal –
  - (a) a magistrate recommended by the Chief Magistrate; or
  - (b) an Australian lawyer of not less than 5 years' standing as an Australian legal practitioner.

**6. Schedule 1 amended (Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson)**

Schedule 1 to the Principal Act is amended as follows:

- (a) by omitting from clause 1(4) “Chairperson” and substituting “Chairperson, by a magistrate,”;
- (b) by omitting from clause 2(4) “Deputy Chairperson” and substituting “Deputy Chairperson, by a magistrate,”;
- (c) by omitting paragraph (b) from clause 3(1) and substituting the following paragraph:
  - (b) he or she ceases to be a magistrate, or an Australian lawyer, whichever is relevant to his or her appointment.

**7. Repeal of Act**

This Act is repealed on the three hundred and sixty fifth day from the day on which it commences.