CLAUSE NOTES

Mental Health Amendment Bill 2009

Clause I	Short Title
Clause 2	Commencement
	Provides for the Act to commence on Royal Assent.
Clause 3	Principal Act
	Names the <i>Mental Health Amendment Act 2005</i> as the legislation that the Bill amends.
Clause 4	Section 19 amended (Expiry)
	Amends section 19 of the Mental Health Amendment Act 2005.
	Section 19 is a sunset clause which provides that the amendments made to the <i>Mental Health Act 1996</i> by the <i>Mental</i> <i>Health Amendment Act 2005</i> relating to community treatment orders expire four years and six months after the commencement of the <i>Mental Health Amendment Act 2005</i> , that is, on 11 January 2010.
	This clause amends section 19(1) to provide that the amendments made by the <i>Mental Health Amendment Act 2005</i> will expire six years and six months after the commencement of that Act, that is, on 11 January 2012.
Clause 5	Repeal of Act
	Provides for the Act's repeal 90 days after its commencement (by which time the amendments achieved by the Act will be incorporated to the <i>Mental Health Amendment Act 2005</i>).