

TASMANIA

EDUCATION AMENDMENT BILL 2009

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*(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.

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This Act is repealed on the ninetieth day from the day on which it commences.