

TASMANIA

FOREST PRACTICES AMENDMENT BILL 2026

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*(Brought in by the Minister for Business, Industry and
Resources, the Honourable Felix Ashton Ellis)*

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Forest Practices Act 1985*

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 *Forest Practices Amendment Act 2026*.

2. Commencement

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

3. Principal Act

In this Act, the *Forest Practices Act 1985** is referred to as the Principal Act.

4. Section 37A amended (Forest Practices Advisory Council)

Section 37A of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

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(a) by omitting paragraph (g) from subsection (2) and substituting the following paragraphs:

(g) a person with expertise in, and experience of, tree growing on private land who is nominated by TasFarmers and the Tasmanian Forest Products Association; and

(h) a person with expertise in, and experience of, agriculture other than tree growing who is nominated by TasFarmers.

(b) by inserting the following subsection after subsection (6):

(6A) For the avoidance of doubt, subsections (5) and (6) apply to a body that is named in subsection (2) by virtue of the *Forest Practices Amendment Act 2026*.

5. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the first anniversary of the day on which it commenced.