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**HEAVY VEHICLE ACCREDITATION SCHEME  
VALIDATION BILL 2013**

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*(Brought in by the Minister for Infrastructure, the Honourable  
David James O'Byrne)*

**A BILL FOR**

**An Act to validate certain administrative actions taken for the purposes of the *Traffic Act 1925*, to amend the *Heavy Vehicle National Law (Tasmania) Act 2013* and for related purposes**

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:

**PART 1 – PRELIMINARY**

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme Validation Act 2013*.

**2. Commencement**

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



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alternative compliance  
accreditation;

***Commission*** means the Transport Commission incorporated under the *Transport Act 1981*;

***Part VII*** means Part VII of the *Traffic Act 1925*, as in force during the validation period;

***responsible department*** means the responsible Department in relation to the *Traffic Act 1925*;

***specified date***, in relation to a certificate of accreditation, means the date which is specified in the certificate of accreditation as the date up to and including which the certificate of accreditation is valid;

***validation period*** means the period commencing on 26 June 2000 and ending on the commencement of section 4 of the *Heavy Vehicle National Law (Tasmania) Act 2013*.

**4. Actions of officer of responsible department**

- (1) If, during the validation period, an officer of the responsible department exercised or performed, or purportedly exercised or performed, a power or function of the Commission under Part VII, the officer of the responsible department is taken



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**6. Notification of accreditation**

For the purposes of section 69 of Part VII, if there is a certificate of accreditation in relation to an alternative compliance accreditation, the Commission is taken to have given a person notice in writing of its approval of that person's application for alternative compliance accreditation by way of the certificate of accreditation.

**7. Conditions of accreditation**

- (1) This section applies to a certificate of accreditation, in respect of an alternative compliance accreditation, that specified a list of conditions to which the alternative compliance accreditation was purportedly subject.
- (2) The conditions listed in a certificate of accreditation referred to in subsection (1) are taken to be conditions imposed by the Commission on the alternative compliance accreditation specified in that certificate of accreditation and to be so imposed –
  - (a) pursuant to section 70(1) of Part VII; and
  - (b) from the date of the certificate of accreditation; and
  - (c) for the period the alternative compliance accreditation is –

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- (i) effective under section 69 of Part VII; or
  - (ii) taken to be effective under this Act.
- (3) For the purposes of section 70(3) of Part VII, the Commission is taken to have given a person notice in writing of its intention to impose conditions on that person's alternative compliance accreditation, if there is a certificate of accreditation which listed those conditions in respect of that person's alternative compliance accreditation.
- (4) No action lies against the Crown in right of Tasmania, or the Commission, in relation to any loss incurred by a person if the loss is only incurred by the person complying with a condition, listed in a certificate of accreditation, that the Commission is taken to have imposed under subsection (2).

**8. Period of accreditation**

- (1) In this section –

*relevant period* means the period between 26 June 2000 and 21 March 2010 (both days inclusive);

*transitional period* means the period between 22 March 2010 and 20 January 2013 (both days inclusive).



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(2) Despite section 69(2) of Part VII –

- (a) if the Commission, during the relevant period –
  - (i) approved an application for alternative compliance accreditation; or
  - (ii) renewed, or purportedly renewed, alternative compliance accreditation; and
- (b) the certificate of accreditation for that alternative compliance accreditation had a specified date which was a date less than 3 years from the date of the certificate of accreditation –

that alternative compliance accreditation is taken to have been, unless sooner cancelled under Part VII, effective for a period commencing on the date of the certificate of accreditation and ending on the specified date.

(3) Despite section 69(2) of Part VII –

- (a) if the Commission, during the transitional period –
  - (i) approved an application for alternative compliance accreditation; or



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**PART 3 – MISCELLANEOUS**

**9. Administration of Act**

Until provision is made in relation to this Act by order under section 4 of the *Administrative Arrangements Act 1990* –

- (a) the administration of this Act is assigned to the Minister for Infrastructure; and
- (b) the department responsible to that Minister in relation to the administration of this Act is the Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources.

**10. Consequential amendments**

The legislation specified in Schedule 1 is amended as specified in that Schedule.

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**SCHEDULE 1 – CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS**

Section 10

***Heavy Vehicle National Law (Tasmania) Act 2013***

**1.** Section 39 is amended as follows:

- (a) by omitting paragraph (a) from subsection (2);
- (b) by omitting from subsection (2)(b) “other”;
- (c) by omitting paragraph (a) from subsection (3);
- (d) by omitting from subsection (3)(b) “other”;
- (e) by omitting from subsection (4) “Part 8.2 of”;
- (f) by omitting from subsection (5) “Part 8.2 of”.