

FACT SHEET

Homes Tasmania Bill 2022

Homes Tasmania (Consequential Amendment) Bill 2022

The Homes Tasmania Amendment Bill 2022 (the Bill) and the Homes Tasmania Consequential Amendments Bill 2022 establish a new statutory authority called Homes Tasmania. Homes Tasmania is created to assume the housing related function of the soon to be de-established Department of Communities Tasmania and deliver the Tasmanian Government's 10-year \$1.5 billion housing package.

The Bill provides to establish Homes Tasmania as a new statutory authority to:

- increase the opportunities for all Tasmanians to live in safe, secure, appropriate and affordable housing.
- facilitate the ownership, leasehold, or occupation, of residential premises by persons on low or moderate incomes.
- encourage the development of flexible and innovative financial arrangements that assist persons on low or moderate incomes.
- enable the provision of housing assistance and housing support services.
- enable the strategic acquisition of land, and land and premises, primarily for the development of housing.
- promote an efficient and effective system of administration of housing services, housing support services and community support services.
- assist in ensuring the existence of a viable and diversified social housing and community support sector.

The Homes Tasmania (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2022 makes the following substitutions as relevant in all relevant Acts:

- Replace *the Director of Housing* with *Homes Tasmania*.
- Replace references to the *Homes Act 1935* with *Homes Tasmania Act 2022*.
- Replace references to the *Housing Agency* with *the responsible Department in relation to the Homes Tasmania Act 2022*.
- Replace references to *Government land* with *Homes Tasmania Act land*.
- Replace references to *Homes Act land* with *housing supply land*.

The following Acts are amended with the above substitutions:

- Community Housing Providers National Law (Tasmania) Act 2013
- Fire Damage Relief Act 1967
- First Home Owner Grant Regulations 2021
- Greater Hobart Act 2019
- Homebuilder Grants Regulations 2020
- Homes (Sale of Mortgages) Act 1993
- Housing Land Supply Act 2018
- Land Titles Regulations 2012
- Property Agents And Land Transactions Regulations 2017
- Local Government (Building And Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993
- Residential Tenancy Act 1997
- Valuation Of Land Act 2001

The *State Service Act 2000* is amended with the above substitutions and the specific provision listed below:

- Adding Homes Tasmania Chief Executive Officer to Schedule 1

The *Homes Act 1935* is repealed.

The Bill is to commence on proclamation.