

TASMANIA

**WORKERS REHABILITATION AND
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*(Brought in by the Minister for Workplace Safety and
Consumer Affairs, the Honourable Elise Nicole Archer)*

A BILL FOR

**An Act to amend the *Workers Rehabilitation and
Compensation Act 1988***

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 *Workers
Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment
Act 2023*.

2. Commencement

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

3. Principal Act

In this Act, the *Workers Rehabilitation and
Compensation Act 1988** is referred to as the
Principal Act.

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4. Section 27 amended (Presumption as to cause of certain diseases in relation to fire-fighters)

Section 27 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (7) the following subsection:

(7A) For the avoidance of doubt, the amendment of Schedule 5 by a provision of an Act does not prevent the further amendment of that Schedule by regulations that are made in accordance with subsection (7).

5. Schedule 5 amended (Diseases, of Fire-fighters, in Respect of Which There is Presumption of Cause)

Schedule 5 to the Principal Act is amended by inserting after item 12 the following items:

13. Primary site cervical cancer	10 years
14. Primary site ovarian cancer	10 years
15. Primary site penile cancer	15 years
16. Primary site thyroid cancer	10 years
17. Primary site pancreatic cancer	10 years
18. Primary site skin cancer	15 years
19. Primary site lung cancer	15 years
20. Primary site uterine cancer	10 years

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21. Malignant mesothelioma | 15 years

6. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the first anniversary of the day on which it commenced.