

TASMANIA

**WORKERS REHABILITATION AND
COMPENSATION AMENDMENT BILL 2019**

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**WORKERS REHABILITATION AND
COMPENSATION AMENDMENT BILL 2019**

*(Brought in by the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency
Management, the Honourable Michael Darrel Joseph
Ferguson)*

A BILL FOR

**An Act to amend the *Workers Rehabilitation and
Compensation Act 1988* to remove certain restrictions in
relation to weekly payments in respect of police officers
injured while on active duty**

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 2019*.

2. Commencement

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

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3. Principal Act

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

4. Section 69B amended (Period for which benefits are payable)

Section 69B of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (2D) the following subsection:

(2DA) Despite subsection (1), a weekly payment in respect of a worker who is a police officer is not reduced by a percentage specified in subsection (1)(b) or (c) if, had the person not been a police officer, it is unlikely that the person would have been in the circumstances as a result of which the injury was suffered.

5. Section 164BB inserted

After section 164BA of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Part XIII:

164BB. Application of *Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment Act 2019*

Section 69B(2DA), as inserted by the *Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment Act 2019*, does not apply in relation to an injury in

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respect of which a claim for compensation was made before that Act came into force.

6. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the first anniversary of the day on which it commenced.