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(Removal of the Higher Education Workplace Relations Requirements and National Governance Protocols Requirements and Other Matters) Bill 2008

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(Education, Employment and Workplace Relations)

A Bill for an Act to amend the Higher Education Support Act 2003, and for related purposes
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A Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*, and for related purposes

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 **Short title**

   This Act may be cited as the *Higher Education Support Amendment (Removal of the Higher Education Workplace Relations Requirements and National Governance Protocols Requirements and Other Matters) Act 2008*.

2 **Commencement**

   This Act commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.
3 Schedule(s)

Each Act that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.
Schedule 1—Amendments

Higher Education Support Act 2003

1 Paragraph 19-25(1)(a)
After “body”, insert “for the provider”.

2 Paragraph 19-25(2)(a)
After “auditing body”, insert “for the provider”.

3 Subsection 19-27(1)
After “body”, insert “for the provider”.

4 At the end of Subdivision 19-C
Add:

19-29 Quality auditing bodies
The Higher Education Provider Guidelines may:
(a) list a body as a quality auditing body for one or more kinds of higher education provider; and
(b) set out requirements that must be met by quality auditing bodies in conducting audits of higher education providers.

5 At the end of section 22-10
Add:

Bodies that no longer meet certain approval criteria
(5) The Minister may revoke a body’s approval as a higher education provider if:
(a) the body no longer meets a requirement set out in:
   (i) paragraph 16-25(a); or
   (ii) paragraph 16-25(da); and
(b) the Minister complies with the requirements of section 22-20.

6 Section 33-17
Repeal the section.

7 Application—repeal of section 33-17

The repeal of section 33-17 by item 6 of this Schedule has no effect in relation to a higher education provider’s basic grant amount for the grant year 2008.

8 Subsection 41-10(1) (cell at table item 9A, column headed “Who is eligible”)

Repeal the cell, substitute:

*Table A providers, *Table B providers that are universities, and bodies corporate that are specified in the Other Grants Guidelines for the purposes of this item

9 Clause 1 of Schedule 1 (definition of quality auditing body)

Repeal the definition, substitute:

quality auditing body, for a higher education provider, means a body listed in the Higher Education Provider Guidelines as a quality auditing body for providers of that kind.