

**PARLIAMENTARY REMUNERATION ACT 1989**

**REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 10 and 13 OF THE ACT**

1. On 7 February 2000 the Premier of New South Wales directed the Parliamentary Remuneration Tribunal (“the Tribunal”), pursuant to section 12(1) of *the Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1989* (“the Act”), to make a special determination in relation to the date of implementation for the Tribunal’s Initial Determination of Additional Entitlements for Members of the Parliament of New South Wales.
2. Following consideration of the Premier’s request, and in response to representations from both Members and the Parliament, the Tribunal, pursuant to section 9(1) of the Act, determined that the date of operation of the initial determination shall be, subject to any variation in consequence of the year 2000 annual determination, on and from 1 July 2000.
3. The Tribunal has sought submissions from Members, Recognised Office Holders and political parties on all aspects of the initial determination for consideration during its 2000 annual review process. To ensure that the Tribunal has sufficient time to consider these matters the President of the Industrial Relations Commission directed on 17 April 2000, pursuant to section 11(2) of the Act, that the date for completion of the Tribunal’s 2000 Annual Determination be extended to on or before 1 August 2000. The hearing of the annual determination has now commenced. The Tribunal has heard oral submissions by a number of interested persons or bodies.
4. The Tribunal does not intend for the provisions of the initial determination to commence prior to the completion of the 2000 annual review. Having regard to this, the Tribunal has determined to make an interim determination to the effect that the implementation date of the initial determination shall be varied to coincide with that of the 2000 annual determination. Until such time the provisions of the 1999 annual determination continue to operate.

5. As the Secretary of the Treasury previously provided his statement as to the financial implications of the 1999 annual determination it would appear that no advice is required from the Treasury pursuant to section 13(5) of the Act. For more abundant caution, however, the Tribunal refers this determination to the Treasury.

DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 9(1) OF THE ACT

Pursuant to section 9(1) of the Act the Tribunal varies the date of operation of the Initial Determination of Additional Entitlements for Members of the Parliament of New South Wales. The initial determination shall operate on and from the date of operation of any annual determination for the year 2000.

Dated on this 29th day of June 2000

The Hon (Justice) Michael Walton

**THE PARLIAMENTARY REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL**