

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 18 of 1985

AN ACT

To amend the Hospital Management Boards Act

[Assented to 23 May 1985]

B^E it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978 of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Hospital Management Boards Amendment Act 1985.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

3. PRINCIPAL ACT

The Hospital Management Boards Act is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

4. FUNCTIONS

Section 22 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following:

"(1) The functions of a Board in relation to the hospital in respect of which it is established are -

(a) to give directions and offer advice, not inconsistent with the Public Service Act or the Financial Administration and Audit Act or the directions of the Minister, to the Chief Executive Officer of the hospital with respect to any matter relating to the operation of the hospital;

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- (b) to fix and supervise the standards of service provided by or through the hospital;
- (c) to advise and make recommendations to the Minister on any matter relating to the operation of the hospital, including the needs of the hospital in relation to its future development;
- (d) to co-ordinate the use of resources in the hospital;
- (e) to raise money, and spend and pay out any money raised, for such uses in the hospital as are approved by the Minister;
- (f) to accept and receive money donated to the hospital, and spend and pay out any money donated, for uses in the hospital;
- (g) to maintain liaison with other persons or bodies in the area served by the hospital; and
- (h) to exercise and discharge such powers, duties and functions as are conferred or imposed on it by or under this or any other Act.".

5. REGULAR INSPECTIONS

Section 24 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-sections (1) and (2) and substituting the following:

"(1) Subject to this section, a Board shall ensure that the hospital in respect of which it is established is inspected at such times and by such number of members as it, from time to time, approves.

"(2) A person working in a hospital shall give the members approved of under sub-section (1) by the Board, such assistance as those members require in relation to the inspection.".

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