

Adoption of Children Act 1964, Queensland

1965 – 2010

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Details

The Adoption of Children Act 1964 (Act no. 54/1964) commenced on 1 August 1965. It repealed the earlier adoption acts in Queensland. This legislation was passed in response to the Commonwealth government's push for model legislation to harmonise adoption law in Australia. This act has the full title "An Act to Consolidate and Amend the Law Relating to the Adoption of Children". This act was repealed in 2010 by the Adoption Act 2009 (Act no.29/2009).

The Adoption of Children Act 1964 states that the welfare and interests of the children are the paramount consideration in making an order for adoption.

The Act made the Chief Executive of the State Children's Department responsible for making an order for adoption. Grounds for dispensing with consent were if the Court was satisfied that a parent or guardian had abandoned or neglected the child.

More info

Chronology

- Adoption of Children Act 1935, Queensland (1936 - 1965)
 - **Adoption of Children Act 1964, Queensland (1965 – 2010)**
 - Adoption Act 2009, Queensland (2009 - current)

Related Entries

Related Events

- [Inquiry into Commonwealth Contribution to Former Forced Adoption Policies and Practices, Commonwealth of Australia \(2011 - 2012\)](#)

Amends

- [Children's Services Act 1965, Queensland \(1965 - 2000\)](#)
Date: 1964 - 1965

Is amended by

- [Adoption of Children Acts Amendment Act 1967, Queensland \(1967 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1967 - 1994
- [Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1972, Queensland \(1972 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1972 - 1994
- [Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1979, Queensland \(1979 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1979 - 1994
- [Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1981, Queensland \(1981 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1981 - 1994
- [Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1983, Queensland \(1983 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1983 - 1994
- [Adoption of Children Acts and Another Act Amendment Act 1986, Queensland \(1986 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1986 - 1994
- [Family Services Act 1987, Queensland \(1987 - current\)](#)
Date: 1987 - 2010
- [Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1990, Queensland \(1990 - 1995\)](#)
Date: 1990 -
- [Adoption Legislation Amendment Act 1991, Queensland \(1991 - 1994\)](#)
Date: 1991 - 1994
- [Adoption of Children Amendment Act 2002, Queensland \(2002\)](#)
Date: 2002 -
- [Adoption of Children \(Amendment\) Act 1987, Queensland \(1987 - 1995\)](#)
Date: 1987 - 1995
- [Age of Majority Act 1974, Queensland \(1974 - 1995\)](#)
Date: 1974 - 1995
- [Status of Children Act 1978, Queensland \(1978 - current\)](#)
Date: 1978 - 2010

Related Organisations

- [Adoption Services Queensland, Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety](#)

Related Concepts

- [Adoption in Queensland \(c. 1935 - current\)](#)

Resources

- Senate Community Affairs References Committee, [Commonwealth Contribution to Former Forced Adoption Policies and Practices](#), 29 February 2012

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