

South Australia

Education (Parental Notification of Non-attendance) Amendment Bill 2007

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Education Act 1972*.

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The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Education (Parental Notification of Non-attendance) Amendment Act 2007*.

5 2—Commencement

This Act will come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

3—Amendment provisions

In this Act, a provision under a heading referring to the amendment of a specified Act amends the Act so specified.

10 Part 2—Amendment of *Education Act 1972*

4—Insertion of section 77

After section 76 insert:

77—Non-attendance at school—notification of parent

- 15 (1) The head teacher of a school must ensure that a parent of a student enrolled at the school is notified of any unexplained absence of the student from school.
- (2) Notification under subsection (1) must be communicated—
 - 20 (a) by SMS message, telephone call or some other means approved by the Minister; and
 - (b) before the end of the school day on which the absence is detected by a member of staff.
- (3) In this section—

student means a student under the age of 18 years.