# REGISTRATION SERVICES

# Customer Information Bulletin

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# CHANGES TO STATUTORY DECLARATIONS UNDER THE OATHS, AFFIDAVITS AND STATUTORY DECLARATIONS ACT 2005

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

The Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005 ("the Act") came into operation on 1 January 2006. This Act has amended:

- 1. the form to be used for a statutory declaration; and
- 2. who may be an authorised witness of a statutory declaration.

The Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations (Consequential Provisions) Act 2005 has also amended the Transfer of Land Act.

#### 2 STATUTORY DECLARATION

The statutory declaration form has been amended substantially and must now be in the form contained in Schedule 1 and made pursuant to Parts 4 & 5 of the Act. Click <a href="here">here</a> to access the Act from the State Law Publisher

Click <u>here</u> to access DLI's new Statutory Declaration form (B3) and a copy of the authorised witness's under Schedule 2 of the Act.

DLI is seeking Legal advice on the effectiveness of declarations made after 1 January 2006 which are not in compliance with the new Act.

## 3 AMENDMENTS TO THE TRANSFER OF LAND ACT

The Affidavits and Statutory Declarations (Consequential Provisions) Act 2005 has amended the Second, Fourth and Twenty-eighth Schedules of the Transfer of Land Act in relation to who the applicant can sign before. Click <a href="here">here</a> to access the Act from the State Law Publisher.



## **NOTE**

A detailed Customer Information Bulletin will follow in the near future on all implications arising from the introduction of both these Acts.

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