

# Compulsory Civil Service Youth Bill 2009

Amendments during consideration in detail to be moved by

The Honourable Youth Member Chatsworth

## 1. **Clause 3 (Definitions)**

At page 4, after line 26

*Insert -*

***‘HECS-HELP*** a loan available to eligible students enrolled in Commonwealth supported places at university. A HECS-HELP loan will cover all or part of the student contribution amount required for university fees.’

***‘QCE*** The QCE is Queensland's senior school qualification, which is awarded to eligible students usually at the end of Year 12. The QCE recognises broad learning options and offers flexibility in what, where and when learning occurs. Recognised studies include Australian Music Examinations Board and Auto Trade College.’

## 2. **Clause 7 (Licensing Requirements)**

At page 7, lines 10 - 12

*Omit*

## 3. **Clause 9 (Reduction of Hours)**

At page 8, lines 16 -17

*Omit*

## 4. **Clause 10 (Exemption from program)**

At page 8, lines 18 -23

*Omit*

## 5. **Part 5 (Penalties)**

**At Page 8, after line 24 to page 9, line 12**

*Omit, insert –*

## **Part 6 Incentives**

### **10. Incentives to complete program**

- (1) If a person completes the required civil service hours within the five-year period, they are entitled to -
  - (a) 50% discount on public transport for the lifetime of persons who complete civil service hours and;
  - (b) 2 credit points, for the hours completed by a student within their high school years, to contribute to the total of 20 credit points required for senior students to obtain a QCE
- (2) In addition to the entitlements provided in section 1, individuals who complete the program may choose to receive one of the following benefits -
  - a) an allowance solely for those participating in higher education, amounting to no more than a 20% reduction of HECS-HELP debt or;
  - b) a tax break for those participating in vocational training, amounting to an equivalent of the average discount given to those receiving s10 (2)(a), calculated as an average for each financial year, until completion of the participant's training
- (3) 25% of all jobs within the public sector and government owned agencies, including government internships and apprenticeships as well as graduate programs, are to be reserved for persons completing the civil service program
- (4) Section 10 (2) is to be means tested according to the specific needs of an individual, as assessed by the Commission, and is to be paid regardless of whether a participant has a HECS-HELP debt or pays their higher education fees upfront. '

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Amendments during consideration in detail to be moved by

The Honourable Youth Member Algester

## 1. **Clause 3 (Definitions)**

At page 4, line 17

*Omit*

## 2. **Clause 4 (Civil Service Program)**

At page 6, lines 2 – 4

*Omit, insert*

### **‘4 Civil Service Program**

The State Government is to introduce a program of voluntary civil service by the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2011. This program will encourage philanthropy through a variety of incentive schemes.”

## 3. **Clause 6 (Age Requirements)**

At page 6, lines 19 - 25

*Omit, insert*

‘(3) If a person becomes a citizen or migrates from interstate to Queensland within the age requirements of the program, they may apply for a reduction of hours applicable to years previous to residing within Queensland’

‘(4) The year following citizenship or state migration will require full completion of the required hours’

At page 7, lines 1 – 3

*Omit*

## 4. **Clause 7 (Licensing Requirements)**

At page 7, lines 10 – 12

*Omit, insert*

- ‘(3) If the ability to complete the program is restricted by age or licensing applications, it is possible to apply for reduction of hours as detailed in section 9(1)’

At page 8, lines 3 - 10

*Omit, insert*

- ‘(2) Possible hardships may include severe health problems that arise whilst the citizen is participating in the program and severely affects their ability to complete the required hours.’

**5. Clause 10 (Exemptions from the Program)**

At page 8, lines 18 – 23

*Omit*