



Education (National Standards) Amendment Act 2008

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Commencement see section 2

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

- 1 Title**
This Act is the Education (National Standards) Amendment Act 2008.

2 Commencement

This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

3 Principal Act amended

This Act amends the Education Act 1989.

Part 1**School enrolment and attendance****4 Penalty for failure to enrol**

Section 24(1) is amended by omitting “\$1,000” and substituting “\$3,000”.

5 Penalty for irregular attendance

(1) Section 29(1) is amended by omitting “\$15” and substituting “\$30”.

(2) Section 29(2) is amended by—

(a) omitting “\$150” and substituting “\$300”; and

(b) omitting “\$400” and substituting “\$3,000”.

6 Ensuring attendance of students

Section 31(7) is amended by omitting “or any person appointed by a board” and substituting “the Secretary, or any person appointed by a board or the Secretary”.

Part 2**Literacy and numeracy standards****7 Interpretation**

The definition of **national education guidelines** in section 60 is amended by inserting “national standards,” after “national curriculum statements,”.

8 National education guidelines

Section 60A(1) is amended by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph (b):

“(ba) **national standards**, which are standards, in regard to matters such as literacy and numeracy, that are applic-

able to all students of a particular age or in a particular year of schooling.”.

9 School charter

Section 61(4)(a) is amended by adding “, including the assessment of students against any national standard published under section 60A(1)(ba)”.

Legislative history

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| 9 December 2008 | Introduction (Bill 7–1) |
| 9 December 2008 | First reading |
| 9 December 2008 | Second reading |
| 9 December 2008 | Reported from committee of the whole House |
| 9 December 2008 | Third reading |
| 16 December 2008 | Royal assent |

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Education.
