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purposes**

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[Assented to 25 February 2016]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Amendment Act 2016*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this Act	<p>The later of:</p> <p>(a) the start of the day after this Act receives the Royal Assent; and</p> <p>(b) immediately after the commencement of the <i>Communications Legislation Amendment (Deregulation and Other Measures) Act 2016</i>.</p> <p>However, the provisions do not commence at all if the event mentioned in paragraph (b) does not occur.</p>	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this Act.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

3 Schedules

Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997

1 Section 5 (definition of *allocation*)

Repeal the definition, substitute:

allocation, in relation to a number, means the allocation of the number in accordance with:

- (a) an allocation system; or
- (b) the rules and processes published by the numbering scheme manager; or
- (c) if there is no numbering scheme manager—the numbering plan made by the ACMA.

2 Section 5

Insert:

numbering scheme manager has the same meaning as in the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

ported, in relation to a number issued to a customer for a carriage service, means that the carriage service provider or the carrier network involved in providing the service, or both, is changed while the customer continues to receive the carriage service using the number.

3 Section 5 (definition of *surrendered*)

Repeal the definition, substitute:

surrendered, in relation to a number, means surrendered in accordance with:

- (a) the rules and processes published by the numbering scheme manager; or
- (b) if there is no numbering scheme manager—the numbering plan made by the ACMA.

4 Section 5 (definition of *transferred*)

Omit “meaning”, substitute “meanings”.

5 Section 5 (definition of *withdrawn*)

Repeal the definition, substitute:

withdrawn, in relation to a number, means withdrawn in accordance with:

- (a) the rules and processes published by the numbering scheme manager; or
- (b) if there is no numbering scheme manager—the numbering plan made by the ACMA.

6 Before subsection 5A(1)

Insert:

(1A) A number is *transferred* if it is transferred in accordance with:

- (a) the rules and processes published by the numbering scheme manager; or
- (b) if there is no numbering scheme manager—the numbering plan made by the ACMA.

7 Subsection 5A(2)

After “notice of the transfer”, insert “, and also give the notice to the numbering scheme manager if there is one”.

8 Subsection 17(2)

Omit “in accordance with the numbering plan”.

[Minister’s second reading speech made in—
House of Representatives on 2 December 2015
Senate on 22 February 2016]

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