



Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) (Transitional Provisions) Amendment Act 2015

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

1 Title

This Act is the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) (Transitional Provisions) Amendment Act 2015.

2 Commencement

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

3 Principal Act

This Act amends the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012 (the **principal Act**).

4 Section 162 amended (Existing petroleum mining activities involving structures or pipelines)

Replace section 162(5) with:

- (5) Despite subsection (4), if an application for a marine consent for an activity to which this section applies is lodged with and accepted as complete by the Environmental Protection Authority no less than 9 months before the end of the term of the permit or privilege as it was on the day before this Act came into force, the activity may continue without a marine consent until the application is decided under section 62 and any appeals are determined.
- (6) Subsections (4) and (5) override section 20.
- (7) If an application for a marine consent for an activity to which this section applies was accepted as complete by the Environmental Protection Authority in 2015 before the date of commencement of the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) (Transitional Provisions) Amendment Act 2015 (whether or not decided under section 62 before that date), subsection (5) is deemed also to apply in that case.

Legislative history

18 February 2015	Introduction (Bill 5–1)
26 February 2015	First reading and referral to Local Government and Environment Committee
29 May 2015	Reported from Local Government and Environment Committee (Bill 5–2)
16 June 2015	Second reading
17 June 2015	Committee of the whole House
23 June 2015	Third reading
25 June 2015	Royal assent

This Act is administered by the Ministry for the Environment.