

# Quarantine Act 1966

No. 12 of 1966

An Act to amend the *Quarantine Act* 1908–1961 to provide for Measures of Quarantine for preventing the spread of Pulmonary Tuberculosis in Australia.

[Assented to 13 May, 1966]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title  
and citation.

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Quarantine Act* 1966.

(2.) The *Quarantine Act* 1908–1961,\* as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Quarantine Act* 1908–1966.

Commence-  
ment.

2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

3. After section 35 of the *Quarantine Act* 1908–1961 the following section is inserted:—

Medical  
examination  
for possible  
pulmonary  
tuberculosis,  
&c.

“ 35AA.—(1.) Where a quarantine officer is not satisfied that a person, being an immigrant, is not suffering from active pulmonary tuberculosis, the quarantine officer may, by order in writing served on the person, require him to undergo, within a time and at a place specified in the order, a medical examination in accordance with the next succeeding sub-section.

“(2.) The medical examination referred to in the last preceding sub-section shall—

(a) be carried out by, or under the supervision of, a person registered as a medical practitioner in a State or Territory of the Commonwealth, being a person approved by the Minister for the purposes of this section; and

(b) be such examination as that person considers necessary to ascertain whether or not the person to be examined is suffering from active pulmonary tuberculosis.

“(3.) If a person fails to comply with an order under sub-section (1.) of this section, a quarantine officer may, by order in writing served on the person, order him into quarantine.

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\* Act No. 3, 1908, as amended by No. 15, 1912; No. 42, 1915; No. 47, 1920; No. 30, 1924; Nos. 19 and 92, 1947; No. 80, 1950; and No. 61, 1961.

“(4.) Where a quarantine officer is of the opinion that a person, being an immigrant, is, or is likely to be, suffering from active pulmonary tuberculosis, the quarantine officer may, by order in writing served on the person, order the person into quarantine.

“(5.) A quarantine officer may release under quarantine surveillance a person ordered into quarantine under this section.

“(6.) The regulations may provide that this section does not apply to a person included in a prescribed class of persons.

“(7.) In this section, ‘ immigrant ’ has the same meaning as in the *Migration Act* 1958–1966.”.

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