Your responses suggest that, subject to the validity of the transfer of business, the law of General Protection does not apply in your circumstances. So, it may not be unlawful for your prospective employer to refuse your original offer of employment.

Division 3—Workplace rights

Prospective employees taken to have workplace rights

(3) A prospective employee is taken to have the workplace rights he or she would have if he or she were employed in the prospective employment by the prospective employer.

Note:

Among other things, the effect of this subsection would be to prevent a prospective employer making an offer of employment conditional on entering an individual flexibility arrangement.

Exceptions relating to prospective employees

(5) Despite paragraph (1)(a), a prospective employer does not contravene subsection 340(1) if the prospective employer refuses to employ a prospective employee because the prospective employee would be entitled to the benefit of Part 2-8 or 6-3A (which deal with transfer of business).

340 Protection

- (1) A person must not take adverse action against another person:
 - (a) because the other person:
 - (i) has a workplace right; or
 - (ii) has, or has not, exercised a workplace right; or
 - (iii) proposes or proposes not to, or has at any time proposed or proposed not to, exercise a workplace right; or
 - (b) to prevent the exercise of a workplace right by the other person.

Note: This subsection is a civil remedy provision (see Part 4-1).

- (2) A person must not take adverse action against another person (the *second person*) because a third person has exercised, or proposes or has at any time proposed to exercise, a workplace right for the second person's benefit, or for the benefit of a class of persons to which the second person belongs.
- (1) The following table sets out circumstances in which a person takes *adverse action* against another person.

Mean	Meaning of adverse action		
Item	Column 1	Column 2	
	Adverse action is taken by	if	

2	a prospective employer against a prospective employee	the prospective employer: (a) refuses to employ the prospective employee; or
		(b) discriminates against the prospective employee in the terms or conditions on which the prospective employer offers to employ the prospective employee.