

STATUTES (MINOR AMENDMENTS) BILL 2017

I move that the Bill now be read a second time.

This is an Omnibus Bill. It makes a range of minor amendments to a number of Acts, all under the umbrella of a single bill. As members may be aware, Bills of this nature are a routine part of legislative review and ensure that the State's statute book is regularly updated and streamlined.

Part 2 of the Bill provides for the amendments. The amendments range from inserting missing words to correcting typographical, cross-referencing and formatting errors to account for updates to and repeals of other legislation. Redundant or lapsed provisions, such as sunset clauses which have long since taken effect, and references to now-repealed provisions of other legislation, will also be removed or corrected by the passage of this bill.

Detailed explanations of each of the amendments are set out in the Explanatory Memorandum accompanying this Bill.

Pursuant to Standing Order 126(1), I confirm that this is not a uniform legislation bill, as it does not ratify or give effect any intergovernmental or multilateral agreements to which the Government of the State is a party. No uniform schemes or uniform laws throughout the Commonwealth are introduced through this Bill.

I move that the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review in accordance with that Committee's responsibility to scrutinise and review the statute book. I look forward to the Committee's consideration of, and report on, this Bill in due course.

I commend the Bill to the House and table an Explanatory Memorandum.