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ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY AMENDMENT (ALTERNATIVE ELECTRICITY SERVICES) BILL 2023

Council's Amendments — Consideration in Detail

The following amendments made by the Council now considered —

No 1

Clause 2, Page 2, lines 8 and 9 — To delete the lines and insert —

Royal Assent (assent day);

- (b) section 26(2)
 - (i) if the *Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024* section 5 comes into operation on or before assent day on the day after assent day;
 - (ii) otherwise immediately after the *Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024* section 5 comes into operation;
- (c) section 26(3)
 - (i) if the *Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024* section 24 comes into operation on or before assent day on the day after assent day;
 - (ii) otherwise immediately after the *Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024* section 24 comes into operation;
- (d) the rest of the Act on the day after assent day.
- (2) Subsection (1)(d) is subject to section 29.

No 2

New Part 4, Page 38, after line 29 — To insert —

Part 4 — Amendments consequential to enactment of the *Electricity Industry Amendment* (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024

26. Electricity Industry Act 2004 amended

- (1) This section amends the *Electricity Industry Act 2004*.
- (2) After section 59X(2) insert:
 - (2A) The AES code of practice must be consistent with the State electricity objective.
- (3) In section 59X(4) delete "section 39." and insert: section 39 or the electricity system and market rules.

27. Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024 amended

- (1) This section amends the *Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources)*Act 2024.
- (2) In section 4(1) in the insertion delete the definition of *Coordinator*.
- (3) Delete section 9.

28. Act amended

- (1) This section amends this Act.
- (2) In section 4 in the insertion delete the definition of *Coordinator*.
- (3) Delete section 15.

29. Repeal of s. 27 or 28

Despite section 2(1)(d) —

(a) if the *Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024* section 4 comes into operation on or before the day on which this section comes into operation — section 27 does not come into operation and is repealed; or

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(b) if paragraph (a) does not apply — section 28 does not come into operation and is repealed.

No 3

Long Title, Page 1, line 8 — To delete "1945." and insert —

1945 and the Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Act 2024.

Mr R.R. WHITBY — by leave: I move —

That the amendments 1 to 3 made by the Council be agreed to.

Mr R.S. LOVE: Just before we agree to that, can the minister, for the record for the house, explain the importance of these amendments?

Mr R.R. WHITBY: Thank you, Leader of the Opposition. These are technical and procedural in nature. They at a very high level relate to ensuring the rights of electricity customers are maintained in a changing electricity market, and, with the introduction of new technology that is also changing the market, to ensure their rights as consumers are maintained.

Question put and passed; the Council's amendments agreed to.

The Council acquainted accordingly.