Royal Perth Hospital Protection Bill 2013

Explanatory Memorandum (E9)

(Introduced by Mr R.H. Cook, MLA)

INTRODUCTION

This Bill provides for the continued operation of part of the Royal Perth Hospital as a public hospital on the present site with the Certificate of Title Volume 2726 Folio 337 and 339.

Clause 1: Short Title

This clause provides the short title of the Act.

Clause 2: Commencement

This clause provides for sections 1 and 2 of the Act to come into operation on a day fixed by Royal Assent. The subsequent provisions are to come into operation the day following Royal Assent.

Clause 3: Terms used in this Act

This clause contains the definitions required for the purposes of the Act. In particular "Royal Perth Hospital" is defined as part of the public hospital situated on the land subject to the Certificate of Title Volume 2726 Folio 337 and 339.

Clause 4: Operation of the Act

This clause provides that the Act applies despite any provision of the *Hospitals and Health Services Act 1927*.

Clause 5: Continuation of Royal Perth Hospital

This clause provides for the retention of a public hospital on the described site unless a resolution approving the closure has been passed by each House of Parliament.

Clause 6: Services to be provided

This clause provides that medical and support services maintained at this part of Royal Perth Hospital will be prescribed in regulation.

Clause 7: Development of Royal Perth Hospital

This clause allows for the development of the buildings on the defined site to occur without breaching Clause 5 and 6 and provides for a definition of development under the *Planning and Development Act 2005*. Future development of the site may involve demolition and temporary diminution of services.

Clause 8: Name of Royal Perth Hospital

This clause provides for the name of the public hospital on that site to be retained as "Royal Perth Hospital" unless a change is resolved by each House of Parliament.

Clause 9: Regulations

This clause provides for the prescribing of regulations to give effect to the purposes of the Act including regulations associated with medical and support services.