



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS**  
**60<sup>TH</sup> PARLIAMENT**  
**Nos. 140, 141 and 142**

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**No. 140 — Wednesday, 12 November 2025**

- 1 The President took the Chair at 12.02 pm, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.
- 2 **ASSENT TO ACT** — The President read a Message from the Governor informing the Council that she had, on 5 November 2025, given the Royal Assent to the following Act presented to her by the Clerk of the Parliaments:

*Domestic Animals Amendment (Rehoming Cats and Dogs and Other Matters) Act 2025.*

3 **QUESTION TIME** —

**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE AND MINISTERS' STATEMENTS** — Members asked questions without notice and ministers made statements.

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**QUESTIONS DIRECTED FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE** — The President directed a minister to provide a written response to questions without notice pursuant to Standing Order 8.07 as follows:

- **Family violence intervention order misidentifications (QwN 1112)** — substantive and supplementary questions asked by Rachel Payne — response from Enver Erdogan due Friday, 14 November 2025.

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**CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS** — Members asked constituency questions.

4 **PETITIONS** —

**ALLOW ELECTRICITY SMART METER COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES TO BE DISABLED** — Jeff Bourman presented a petition bearing 22 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to change regulations in Victoria to allow electricity smart meter communications capabilities to be disabled (*Ordered to be tabled*).

On the motion of Jeff Bourman, the petition was ordered to be taken into consideration on the next day of meeting.

**AMEND SELF-DEFENCE LAWS** — David Limbrick presented a petition bearing 20,554 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to amend legislation to provide more clarity and protection for self-defence in the home, in line with the United Kingdom approach (*Ordered to be tabled*).

The petition having received the required number of signatures, David Limbrick listed the petition for future debate during Petitions (qualifying for debate).

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**OPPOSE THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING ACT 2017** — Evan Mulholland presented a petition bearing 206 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council oppose the proposed amendments to the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Act 2017* when they come before the House (*Ordered to be tabled*).

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**DECLARE AN URGENT STATE OF CLIMATE EMERGENCY** — Georgie Purcell presented a petition bearing 154 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to declare an urgent state of climate emergency, enforce strict penalties on heavy polluters who fail to act and not approve any new coal and gas projects in Victoria (*Ordered to be tabled*).

## 5 PAPERS —

**PAPER PRESENTED BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL** — Enver Erdogan, by leave, presented the Victorian Law Reform Commission Report on Examining Aspects of Family Violence Intervention Orders for Children and Young Adults: Stage 1 – Protection for Children Who Turn 18 While on a Family Violence Intervention Order (*Ordered to be tabled and published*).

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**COMMITTEE REPORT — SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE** — Pursuant to section 35 of the *Parliamentary Committees Act 2003*, Sonja Terpstra tabled Alert Digest No. 15 of 2025 (including Appendices and a Minority Report) from the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee (*Ordered to be published*).

Gaelle Broad moved, That the Council take note of the Report.

Question — put and agreed to.

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## PAPERS PRESENTED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT —

Pursuant to section 28 of the *Parliamentary Budget Officer Act 2017*, on behalf of the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Michael Galea tabled the Parliamentary Budget Office Report, 2024-25.

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The Clerk tabled the following papers:

Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978 —

Order of 10 September 2025 giving approval to the granting of a licence at Queen Victoria Gardens and Memorial Statue Reserve.

Order of 21 October 2025 giving approval to the granting of a lease at Tasma Terrace Reserve.

Order of 22 October 2025 giving approval to the granting of a licence at Kings Domain South Reserve.

Order of 27 October 2025 giving approval to the granting of a licence at Alexandra Gardens Reserve.

Duties Act 2000 — Treasurer's Reports, 2024-25 of —

Corporate Reconstruction and Consolidation Concessions and Exemptions, under section 250B(4) of the Act.

Foreign Purchaser Additional Duty Exemptions, under section 3E(2) of the Act.

Financial Management Act 1994 — Minister for Environment's reports that 2024-25 Reports have not been received, together with an explanation for the delay, under section 46(3)(a) of the Act —

Caulfield Racecourse Reserve Trust.

Dhelkunya Dja Land Management Board.

Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

Gunaikurnai Traditional Owner Land Management Board.

Trust for Nature.

Yorta Yorta Traditional Owner Land Management Board.

Zoos Victoria.

Infrastructure Victoria Act 2015 — Victoria's infrastructure strategy 2025-2055, under section 35(2) of the Act.

Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984 — Notice under section 32(3)(a)(iii) in relation to Statutory Rule No. 91/2025 (*Gazette G42, 16 October 2025*).

Legal Practitioners' Liability Committee — Report, 2024-25\*.

Ombudsman — *'That's assault mate'*: Investigation into alleged misconduct in a private prison and how it was handled, November 2025 (*Ordered to be published*).

Planning and Environment Act 1987 — Notices of approval of the —

Boroondara Planning Scheme — Amendment C394.

Golden Plains Planning Scheme — Amendment C105.

Latrobe Planning Scheme — Amendment C143.

Port Phillip Planning Scheme — Amendments C224 and C227.

Victoria Planning Provisions — Amendments VC291 and VC295.

Radiation Advisory Committee — Report, 2024-25.

Statutory Rules under the following Acts of Parliament —

Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 — No. 114.

Charities Act 1978 — No. 115.

National Electricity (Victoria) Act 2005 — No. 113.

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under section 15 in relation to Statutory Rule No. 114.

Victoria Legal Aid — Report, 2024-25.

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\* together with the Minister's reported date of receipt.

**PAPERS PRESENTED UNDER STANDING ORDERS** — The Clerk tabled the following papers:

Response from the Minister for Children to petition titled Reverse decision to close Parentline (petition No. 696) (presented by Katherine Copsey on 16 October 2025) (*released on 31 October 2025*).

Response from the Minister for Environment to petitions titled Inquiry into koala management practices and the impact of the blue gum industry on koala populations (petition Nos. 652 and 689) (presented by Georgie Purcell on 26 August 2025) (*released on 6 November 2025*).

Response from the Minister for Local Government to petition titled Review City of Casey fees and permits for private land use (petition No. 612) (presented by Jeff Bourman on 14 October 2025) (*released on 30 October 2025*).

Response from the Minister for Public and Active Transport to petition titled More services for bus route 506 (petition No. 682) (presented by Anasina Gray-Barberio on 14 October 2025) (*released on 6 November 2025*).

Response from the Minister for Roads and Road Safety to petition titled Reduce probationary driving age (petition No. 625) (presented by Gaelle Broad on 14 October 2025) (*released on 30 October 2025*).

Response from the Minister for Roads and Road Safety to petition titled Intersection of Centre, O'Grady and Hallam South Roads, Hallam (petition No. 695) (presented by Ann-Marie Hermans on 14 October 2025) (*released on 30 October 2025*).

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**PROCLAMATIONS** — The Clerk tabled proclamations of the Governor in Council fixing operative dates for the following Acts:

National Electricity (Victoria) Amendment (VicGrid Stage 2 Reform) Act 2025 — Part 2 (other than section 36(2) and (3)), Divisions 1 and 5 of Part 3 and Parts 4 and 5 — 1 November 2025 (*Gazette S588, 28 October 2025*).

Workplace Injury Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment Act 2025 — Division 2 of Part 2 and Division 2 of Part 3 — 1 November 2025 (*Gazette S588, 28 October 2025*).

**6 BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL** — David Davis moved, by leave, That the following general business take precedence on Thursday, 13 November 2025 —

- (1) notice of motion given this day by Rachel Payne on private members' bills;
- (2) notice of motion given this day by David Limbrick on the importance of charity;
- (3) notice of motion given this day by David Davis on the deficits reported by statutory bodies in annual reports;
- (4) notice of motion No. 1117 standing in Richard Welch's name on the administration of the CFMEU; and
- (5) notice of motion given this day by Melina Bath on bushfire preparedness.

Question — put and agreed to.

**7 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS** — Members made statements.

**8 BUSINESS POSTPONED** — Ordered — That the consideration of notices of motion, government business, Nos. 278 to 1114, be postponed until later this day.

**9 VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING AMENDMENT BILL 2025** — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Sarah Mansfield (*SMA42C*), Katherine Copsey (*KC67C*), Gaelle Broad (*GB01C and GB02C*) Evan Mulholland (*EM34C and EM39C*), Enver Erdogan (*EE14C and EE15C*), Michael Galea (*MGA01C*) and Ryan Batchelor (*RB01C*) circulated amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole.

Gaelle Broad moved, as a reasoned amendment, That all the words after “That” be omitted and replaced with “this House refuses to read this Bill a second time until adequate time is given to allow full consideration of the anticipated and unintended consequences of changes to the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Act 2017*, and until further and broader consultation is undertaken.”.

Debate ensued.

*[Sitting suspended from 6.22 pm to 7.32 pm]*

Debate continued.

Question — That the reasoned amendment moved by Gaelle Broad be agreed to — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 16

Melina Bath; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Richard Welch.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

NOES, 24

Ryan Batchelor; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negated.

Question — That the Bill be now read a second time — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 26

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

## NOES, 14

Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Richard Welch.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question agreed to.

Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

*Business interrupted at 10.00 pm, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025.*

Ingrid Stitt declared, That the sitting be extended by up to one hour pursuant to Standing Order 4.08.

Bill further considered in Committee of the whole.

*Business interrupted at the conclusion of the declared extension.*

Ingrid Stitt declared, That the sitting be extended by up to one further hour pursuant to Standing Order 4.08.

Bill further considered in Committee of the whole.

The Deputy President reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Bill ordered to be further considered in Committee of the whole on the next day of meeting.

**10 ADJOURNMENT** — Enver Erdogan moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Council adjourned at 11.47 pm until tomorrow.

ROBERT McDONALD

*Clerk of the Legislative Council*

## No. 141 — Thursday, 13 November 2025

- 1 The President took the Chair at 9.32 am, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.

- 2 **ASSENT TO ACTS** — The President read Messages from the Governor informing the Council that she had, this day, given the Royal Assent to the following Acts presented to her by the Clerk of the Parliaments:

*Building Legislation Amendment (Fairer Payments on Jobsites and Other Matters) Act 2025*

*Mental Health Legislation Amendment Act 2025*

*Statewide Treaty Act 2025.*

- 3 **PETITIONS** —

**EMERGENCY SERVICES AND VOLUNTEERS FUND** — Gaelle Broad presented a petition bearing 981 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to immediately cease the introduction of the Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund, ensure the current Fire Services Property

Levy remains in place for the foreseeable future and commit to a genuine consultation process, which includes CFA and SES volunteers, farmers, emergency service workers and other interested parties, to develop a fairer way of funding Victorian emergency services (*Ordered to be tabled*).

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**REDUCE PROBATIONARY DRIVING AGE** — Gaele Broad presented a petition bearing 47 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to reduce the minimum probationary driving age to 17 years and provide incentives for learner drivers to do professional driver training, like those offered in New South Wales (*Ordered to be tabled*).

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**ACTION TO END YOUTH CRIME CRISIS** — Nick McGowan presented a petition bearing 1,412 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to act on the youth crime crisis now by introducing immediate consequences for serious and repeat youth offenders, rebuilding police capacity, installing CCTV in residential areas, fixing systemic failures in the justice and police systems, developing a whole-of-government strategy to address the root causes of youth crime and increasing early intervention and prevention programs to support and engage at-risk youth before they offend (*Ordered to be tabled*).

On the motion of Nick McGowan, the petition was ordered to be taken into consideration on the next day of meeting.

**4 PAPERS PRESENTED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT** — The Clerk tabled the following papers:

Climate Change Act 2017 — Victorian Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report 2023, under section 52 of the Act.

Statutory Rules under the following Acts of Parliament —

Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1996 — No. 117.

Domestic Animals Act 1994 — No. 116.

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under section 15 in relation to Statutory Rule No. 116.

**5 COGNATE DEBATE** — Lizzie Blandthorn moved, by leave, That contingent on the following bills being introduced in the Council, this House authorises the President to permit the second reading debates to be taken concurrently —

(1) Victorian Early Childhood Regulatory Authority Bill 2025;

(2) Social Services Regulation Amendment (Child Safety, Complaints and Worker Regulation) Bill 2025; and

(3) Early Childhood Legislation Amendment (Child Safety) Bill 2025.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and agreed to.

**6 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS** — Members made statements.

**7 PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS — VICTORIAN ROADS** — Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell moved, That this House —

(1) notes the reports raised concerning the deterioration of Victorian roads in the RACV's *My Country Road – 2024* survey;

- (2) in accordance with Standing Order 10.01, requires the Leader of the Government to table in the Council, within 30 days of the House agreeing to this resolution —
  - (a) documents outlining the monitoring process and quality control for contractors building and repairing Victorian roads; and
  - (b) assessments, examinations, reports and ministerial briefs about the quality of Victorian roads, since December 2022.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and agreed to.

## **8 PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS — STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION MEETINGS —**

David Davis moved, That this House —

- (1) notes that the State Electricity Commission (SEC) 2024-25 Report was tabled on 30 October 2025;
- (2) further notes that the SEC is a state-owned company led by an independent board of directors, with the Premier and Treasurer being SEC shareholders;
- (3) in accordance with Standing Order 10.01, requires the Leader of the Government to table in the Council, within four weeks of the House agreeing to this resolution —
  - (a) the agendas and minutes of all SEC board meetings held since the SEC was declared a state-owned company under the *State-Owned Enterprises Act 1992* on 14 November 2023;
  - (b) the agendas and minutes of the of the Audit and Risk Committee meetings held since 14 November 2023; and
  - (c) the agendas and minutes of the Investments and Assets Committee meetings held since 14 November 2023.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and agreed to.

## **9 PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS — Rachel Payne moved, That this House notes that —**

- (1) the Allan Labor Government has a policy of never supporting private members' bills;
- (2) this policy undermines democratic parliamentary processes and prevents non-government members from fulfilling their essential duties;
- (3) where they support the principle of private members' bill, the Government will often introduce an identical bill in their own name months later, wasting Parliament's time and resources;
- (4) some of the most important pieces of legislation in Australia were the result of private members' bills, including marriage equality and compulsory voting;
- (5) no other jurisdiction in Australia shares this policy, by comparison, in New South Wales there have been 35 private members' bills passed between 2001 and 2022; and calls on the Victorian Government to end their policy of not supporting private members' bills.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and agreed to.

**10 IMPORTANCE OF CHARITY** — David Limbrick moved, That this House —

- (1) notes that —
  - (a) the *Foodbank: Hunger Report 2025* estimated that 3.5 million households experienced food insecurity in the past 12 months;
  - (b) The Salvation Army's *The Red Shield Report 2025: Struggling to survive* surveyed almost 3,600 community members who accessed assistance from the Doorways emergency relief services in the past year and reported that —
    - (i) 90 per cent of respondents found that it was difficult to afford essential living costs, such as housing, groceries, medical care and utilities over the past 12 months;
    - (ii) 53 per cent of respondents were unable to afford public transport or fuel for their vehicle;
    - (iii) 85 per cent of respondents experienced some form of food insecurity in the past year;
    - (iv) 62 per cent of respondents with children admitted to going without food so their children could eat;
  - (c) charities are reporting increased operating costs at the same time as they are experiencing increased demand;
- (2) acknowledges the important work of many charities and non-profit organisations who provide relief for people struggling with essential needs, such as food and housing; and
- (3) commends the generosity of tens of thousands of Victorians who donate time, money and resources for those in need.

Debate ensued.

*Business interrupted at 12.00 noon, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025.*

**11 QUESTION TIME** —

**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE AND MINISTERS' STATEMENTS** — Members asked questions without notice and ministers made statements.

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**ANSWERS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION** — Ordered that the following answers be taken into consideration on the next day of meeting —

- On the motion of Wendy Lovell, the answers given by Gayle Tierney to questions relating to Federal Government water buybacks in the Goulburn region (QwN 1120).
- On the motion of Aiv Puglielli, the answers given by Enver Erdogan to questions relating to evidence for youth justice policies (QwN 1123).

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**QUESTIONS DIRECTED FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE** — The President directed a minister to provide a written response to questions without notice pursuant to Standing Order 8.07 as follows:

- **Critical digital infrastructure (QwN 1121)** — substantive and supplementary questions asked by David Limbrick — response from Jaclyn Symes due Monday, 17 November 2025.

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**CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS** — Members asked constituency questions.

**12 IMPORTANCE OF CHARITY** — Debate continued on the question, That this House —

- (1) notes that —
  - (a) the *Foodbank: Hunger Report 2025* estimated that 3.5 million households experienced food insecurity in the past 12 months;
  - (b) The Salvation Army's *The Red Shield Report 2025: Struggling to survive* surveyed almost 3,600 community members who accessed assistance from the Doorways emergency relief services in the past year and reported that —
    - (i) 90 per cent of respondents found that it was difficult to afford essential living costs, such as housing, groceries, medical care and utilities over the past 12 months;
    - (ii) 53 per cent of respondents were unable to afford public transport or fuel for their vehicle;
    - (iii) 85 per cent of respondents experienced some form of food insecurity in the past year;
    - (iv) 62 per cent of respondents with children admitted to going without food so their children could eat;
  - (c) charities are reporting increased operating costs at the same time as they are experiencing increased demand;
- (2) acknowledges the important work of many charities and non-profit organisations who provide relief for people struggling with essential needs, such as food and housing; and
- (3) commends the generosity of tens of thousands of Victorians who donate time, money and resources for those in need.

*The Acting President advised that the total time allocated for debate, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025, had elapsed.*

Question — put and agreed to.

**13 DEFICITS REPORTED BY STATUTORY BODIES IN ANNUAL REPORTS** — David Davis moved, That this House notes —

- (1) the large number of annual reports tabled, or rather dumped, in the Parliament in the 28 to 30 October 2025 sitting week;
- (2) that at least 103 agencies were reported as being in deficit, reporting a collective net loss of \$3 billion, which includes, amongst many others —
  - (a) three state departments;
  - (b) 57 health services;
  - (c) five arts and creative industries agencies and bodies;
  - (d) Victoria Police;
  - (e) sports centres and agencies;
  - (f) transport, port and tolling agencies;
  - (g) training agencies, stadiums, sport and event authorities;
  - (h) eight water authorities;
  - (i) five catchment management authorities;
  - (j) the Victorian Ombudsman;
  - (k) Breakthrough Victoria and the market authority;
- (3) the removal of key transparency and financial data from the reports, particularly the cash reserves in health services;

- (4) the scale of the Allan Labor Government's mismanagement of Victoria's finances and the direct consequences of the mismanagement of these agencies in the form of poorer services and higher charges; and
- (5) Victoria's net debt is growing by more than \$2 million per hour and the general government sector's net debt is projected to grow to a record \$194 billion by 2028-29.

Debate ensued.

*The Acting President advised that the total time allocated for debate, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025, had elapsed.*

Question — put and agreed to.

**14 ADMINISTRATION OF THE CFMEU** — Richard Welch moved, That this House —

- (1) notes the sacking of Mr John Perkovic last week from the Construction, Forestry and Maritime Employees Union (CFMEU) and the consequential questions arising about the flawed administration of the union;
- (2) further notes the apparent failure of regulatory agencies, including the Fair Work Commission and the Labour Hire Agency; and
- (3) expresses concern at ongoing criminal behaviour in some sections of the Victorian construction industry including, in particular, the continuing role of organised crime within and associated with the CFMEU.

Debate ensued.

*The President advised that the total time allocated for debate, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025, had elapsed.*

Question — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 15

Melina Bath; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Evan Mulholland; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Richard Welch.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

NOES, 20

Ryan Batchelor; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Katherine Copsey; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; Sarah Mansfield; Tom McIntosh; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negated.

**15 BUSINESS POSTPONED** — Ordered — That the consideration of the remaining notices of motion and orders of the day, general business, be postponed until the next day of meeting.

**16 STATEMENTS ON TABLED PAPERS AND PETITIONS** — Members made statements on reports, papers and petitions.

**17 PETITIONS (QUALIFYING FOR DEBATE) — EMERGENCY SERVICES AND VOLUNTEERS FUND** — Joe McCracken moved, That the petition be taken into consideration.

Debate ensued.

*The President advised that the time allocated for debate had concluded.*

Question — put and agreed to.

- 18 BUSINESS POSTPONED** — Ordered — That the consideration of notices of motion, government business, Nos. 278 to 1146, and order of the day, government business, No. 1, be postponed until later this day.

- 19 CONSUMER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2025** — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Aiv Puglielli (AP58C) circulated amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole.

On the motion of Lee Tarlamis, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.

- 20 ADJOURNMENT** — Ingrid Stitt moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Council adjourned at 7.40 pm until tomorrow.

ROBERT McDONALD  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council*

## **No. 142 — Friday, 14 November 2025**

- 1** The President took the Chair at 9.32 am, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.

- 2 PAPERS —**

**PAPER PRESENTED BY DIRECTION OF THE GOVERNOR** — Enver Erdogan presented, by direction of the Governor, the Magistrates' Court of Victoria Report, 2024-25 (*Ordered to be tabled*).

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**PAPERS PRESENTED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT** — The Clerk tabled the following papers:

Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool — Report, 2024-25.

Court Services Victoria — Report, 2024-25.

Harness Racing Victoria — Report, 2024-25\*.

Heritage Council of Victoria — Minister's report of receipt of the 2024-25 Report\*.

Judicial College of Victoria — Report, 2024-25\*.

Judicial Commission of Victoria — Report, 2024-25\*.

Office of the Public Advocate — Report, 2024-25\* (*Ordered to be published*).

Office of the Victorian Information Commissioner — Report, 2024-25\*.

Racing Integrity Commissioner — Report, 2024-25.

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under section 15 in relation to Statutory Rule No. 115.

Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal — Report, 2024-25.

Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission — Report, 2024-25\* (*Ordered to be published*).

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\* together with the Minister's reported date of receipt.

**3 PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS — CORRUPTION IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY —**

The Clerk tabled a letter from the Attorney-General, dated 12 November 2025, in response to a resolution of the Council on 15 October 2025 (on the motion of David Davis), relating to corruption in the construction industry, advising that there was insufficient time to respond and that a final response to the Order would be provided as soon as possible.

**4 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS —** Members made statements.**5 BUSINESS POSTPONED —** Ordered — That the consideration of notices of motion, government business, Nos. 278 to 1146, be postponed until later this day.**6 VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING AMENDMENT BILL 2025 —** Bill further considered in Committee of the whole.

*Business interrupted at 12.00 noon, pursuant to an order of the Council on 29 October 2025.*

**7 QUESTION TIME —**

**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE AND MINISTERS' STATEMENTS —** Members asked questions without notice and ministers made statements.

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**CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS —** Members asked constituency questions.

**8 VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING AMENDMENT BILL 2025 —** Bill further considered in Committee of the whole.

Bill reported with amendments, the Report was adopted.

Ingrid Stitt moved, That the Bill be now read a third time and do pass.

Question — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 26

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

NOES, 14

Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Richard Welch.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill returned to the Assembly with a Message informing them that the Council have agreed to the Bill with amendments and requesting their agreement.

*[Sitting suspended from 6.31 pm to 7.32 pm]*

- 9 EARLY CHILDHOOD LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CHILD SAFETY) BILL 2025** — The President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Education and Care Services National Law set out in the Schedule to the Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010, and to make Victorian specific modifications to that Law as it applies as a law of Victoria, to improve child safety in education and care services and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.
- On the motion of Jaclyn Symes (for Lizzie Blandthorn), the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.
- Jaclyn Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.
- Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Jaclyn Symes incorporated the second reading speech in Hansard.
- On the motion of Evan Mulholland, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.
- 10 LABOUR HIRE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (LICENSING) BILL 2025** — The President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Labour Hire Licensing Act 2018 in relation to the meaning of labour hire services, fit and proper persons, monitoring, investigation and enforcement powers and information sharing and the Workforce Inspectorate Victoria Act 2020 in relation to causing or threatening to cause detriment and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.
- On the motion of Jaclyn Symes, the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.
- Jaclyn Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.
- Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Jaclyn Symes incorporated the second reading speech in Hansard.
- On the motion of Evan Mulholland, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.
- 11 PLANNING AMENDMENT (BETTER DECISIONS MADE FASTER) BILL 2025** — The President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Planning and Environment Act 1987, to make consequential amendments to the Land Acquisition and Compensation Act 1986, the Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 and other Acts and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.
- On the motion of Jaclyn Symes (for Harriet Shing), the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.
- Jaclyn Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.
- Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Jaclyn Symes incorporated the second reading speech in Hansard.
- On the motion of Evan Mulholland, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.

**12 RESTRICTING NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS (SEXUAL HARASSMENT AT WORK)**

**BILL 2025** — The President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to promote the health, safety and welfare of persons at work by regulating non-disclosure agreements relating to sexual harassment at work and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.

On the motion of Jaclyn Symes, the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Jaclyn Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Jaclyn Symes incorporated the second reading speech in Hansard.

On the motion of Evan Mulholland, the debate was adjourned until Thursday, 20 November 2025.

**13 SOCIAL SERVICES REGULATION AMENDMENT (CHILD SAFETY, COMPLAINTS AND WORKER REGULATION) BILL 2025**

— The President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to amend the Child Wellbeing and Safety Act 2005, the Worker Screening Act 2020, the Social Services Regulation Act 2021, the Disability Service Safeguards Act 2018, the Disability Act 2006, the Residential Tenancies Act 1997 and other Acts and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.

On the motion of Jaclyn Symes (for Lizzie Blandthorn), the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Jaclyn Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Jaclyn Symes incorporated the second reading speech in Hansard.

On the motion of Evan Mulholland, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.

**14 VICTORIAN EARLY CHILDHOOD REGULATORY AUTHORITY BILL 2025**

— The President read a Message from the Assembly presenting *A Bill for an Act to establish the Victorian Early Childhood Regulatory Authority, to provide for the Victorian Early Childhood Worker Register, to make related consequential amendments to other Acts and for other purposes* and requesting the agreement of the Council.

On the motion of Jaclyn Symes (for Lizzie Blandthorn), the Bill was read a first time and, by leave, ordered to be read a second time forthwith.

Jaclyn Symes laid on the Table the statement of compatibility as required by the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Jaclyn Symes incorporated the second reading speech in Hansard.

On the motion of Evan Mulholland, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.

**15 CONSUMER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2025**

— Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 38

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman;  
Gaelle Broad; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; David Davis; Moira Deeming;  
Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea;  
Anasina Gray-Barberio; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Shaun Leane;  
Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Sarah Mansfield; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken;  
Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Evan Mulholland; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli;  
Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra;  
Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt; Richard Welch.

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NOES, 1

David Limbrick.

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Question agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

The President ruled certain amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole by Aiv Puglielli (*AP58C*) are outside the scope of the Bill.

Aiv Puglielli moved, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have the power to consider an amendment and New Clauses to amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to provide for a limit on rent increases in accordance with the wage price index for Victoria published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Question — put and agreed to.

Bill committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

Bill reported without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Bill returned to the Assembly with a Message informing them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

**16 PARKS AND PUBLIC LAND LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CENTRAL WEST AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2025** — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Melina Bath (*MB16C and MB18C*) circulated amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole.

Melina Bath moved, as a reasoned amendment, That all the words after “That” be omitted and replaced with “the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted as two separate bills to —

- (1) take into account stakeholder consultation on the impact of the establishment of the Mount Buangor, Pyrenees and Wombat-Lerderderg National Parks on traditional recreational activities, invasive species management, fire management and the rural economy; and
- (2) retain the remaining provisions of the Bill.”.

Debate ensued.

On the motion of Lee Tarlamis, the debate was adjourned until the next day of meeting.

**17 ADJOURNMENT** — Gayle Tierney moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Council adjourned at 9.49 pm until Tuesday, 18 November 2025.

ROBERT McDONALD  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council*

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# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

## Supplement to Minutes Nos. 140, 141 and 142

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### **VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING AMENDMENT BILL 2025**

*Committed Wednesday, 12 November 2025*

*Amendments circulated: Ryan Batchelor (RB01C) (pp. 1254), Gayle Broad (GB01C and GB02C) (pp. 1254-57), Katherine Copsey (KC67C) (pp. 1257-59), Enver Erdogan (EE14C and EE15C) (pp. 1259-60), Michael Galea (MGA01C) (pp. 1260-63), Ann-Marie Hermans (AH01C and AH02C) (pp. 1263-65), Sarah Mansfield (SMA42C) (pp. 1265-78) and Evan Mulholland (EM34C and EM39C) (pp. 1278-80)*

**Clause 1** — Ann-Marie Hermans (AH01C and AH02C) circulated amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole.

Clause 1 — put and agreed to.

Lee Talarmis moved, That the Deputy President report progress and seek leave to sit again.

Question — put and agreed to.

### **Progress reported.**

*Friday, 14 November 2025 —*

*Progress having been reported on 12 November 2025, Bill further considered in Committee of the whole.*

Michael Galea (MGA01C), by leave, circulated amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole to replace previously circulated amendments.

**Clauses 2 and 3** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 4** — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 1 to 9 (SMA42C).

Question — That the amendments be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 7

Katherine Copsey; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Sarah Mansfield;  
Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell.

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## NOES, 31

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Evan Mulholland; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt; Richard Welch.

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Question negatived.

Michael Galea moved amendment No. 1 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Ann-Marie Hermans moved amendment No. 1 (*AH01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

## AYES, 12

Lizzie Blandthorn; Gaelle Broad; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Richard Welch.

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## NOES, 26

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

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Question negatived.

Michael Galea moved amendment Nos. 2 and 3 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendments be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

## AYES, 39

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Renee Heath; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Sarah Mansfield; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Evan Mulholland; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Adem Somyurek; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt; Richard Welch.

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## NOES, 1

Ann-Marie Hermans.

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Question agreed to.

Clause 4, as amended — put and agreed to.

**Clause 5** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 6** — Michael Galea moved amendment Nos. 4 and 5 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendments be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Gaelle Broad moved amendment No. 2 (*GB01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and negatived.

Ryan Batchelor moved amendment No. 1 (*RB01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Enver Erdogan moved amendment No. 1 (*EE14C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

## AYES, 16

Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; David Limbrick; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Richard Welch.

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## NOES, 23

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Sheena Watt.

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Question negatived.

Ann-Marie Hermans moved amendment No. 2 (*AH01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and negatived.

Ann-Marie Hermans moved amendment No. 1 (*AH02C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and negatived.

Question — That clause 6, as amended, stand part of the Bill — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 24

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Sheena Watt.

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NOES, 14

Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; David Limbrick; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Richard Welch.

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Question agreed to.

**New Clause 6A** — Enver Erdogan moved amendment No. 1 (*EE15C*).

Question — That New Clause 6A stand part of the Bill — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 16

Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; David Limbrick; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Richard Welch.

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NOES, 23

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Sheena Watt.

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Question negatived.

**Clause 7** — Michael Galea moved amendment Nos. 6 to 9 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendments be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Question — That Clause 7, as amended, stand part of the Bill — put and agreed to.

**Clause 8** — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 11 (*SMA42C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 7

Katherine Copsey; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Sarah Mansfield; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell.

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## NOES, 31

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Evan Mulholland; Harriet Shing; Adem Somyurek; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt; Richard Welch.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negatived.

Katherine Copsey moved amendment No. 1 (KC67C).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

## AYES, 8

Katherine Copsey; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; David Limbrick; Sarah Mansfield; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell.

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## NOES, 29

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Shaun Leane; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Evan Mulholland; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt; Richard Welch.

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Question negatived.

Gaelle Broad moved amendment No. 4 (GB01C).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

## AYES, 13

Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek; Richard Welch.

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## NOES, 26

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negatived.

Clause 8 — put and agreed to.

**Clause 9** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 10** — Gaelle Broad moved amendment No. 5 (*GB01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and negatived.

Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 17 (*SMA42C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 7

Katherine Copsey; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Sarah Mansfield;  
Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

NOES, 30

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad;  
Georgie Crozier; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea;  
Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell;  
Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh;  
Evan Mulholland; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra;  
Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negatived.

Katherine Copsey moved amendment No. 6 (*KC67C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and negatived.

Clause 10 — put and agreed to.

**New Clause 10A** — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 18 (*SMA42C*).

Question — That New Clause 10A stand part of the Bill — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 7

Katherine Copsey; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Sarah Mansfield;  
Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

## NOES, 30

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Evan Mulholland; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negatived.

**Clause 11** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 12** — Ryan Batchelor moved amendment No. 2 (*RB01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Question — That Clause 12, as amended, stand part of the Bill — put and agreed to.

**Clauses 13 to 25** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 26** — Ann-Marie Hermans moved amendment No. 9 (*AH01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

## AYES, 11

Lizzie Blandthorn; Gaelle Broad; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Evan Mulholland; Adem Somyurek.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

## NOES, 26

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Katherine Copsey; Georgie Crozier; Jacinta Ermacora; David Ettershank; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Sarah Mansfield; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh; Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra; Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt.

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Question negatived.

Clause 26 — put and agreed to.

**Clauses 27 to 58** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 59** — Michael Galea moved amendment No. 10 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Clause 59, as amended — put and agreed to.

**Clause 60** — Michael Galea moved amendment No. 11 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Clause 60, as amended — put and agreed to.

**Clause 61** — Michael Galea moved amendment No. 12 (*MGA01C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put and agreed to.

Clause 61, as amended — put and agreed to.

**Clauses 62 to 75** — put and agreed to.

**Clause 76** — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 109 and 110 (*SMA42C*).

Question — That the amendments be agreed to — put and negatived.

Clause 76 — put and agreed to.

**Clauses 77 to 85** — put and agreed to.

**Bill reported with amendments.**

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## **CONSUMER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2025**

*Committed Friday, 14 November 2025*

*Amendments circulated: Aiv Puglielli (AP58C) (pp. 1280-81)*

**Clause 1** — Aiv Puglielli moved amendment No. 1 (*AP58C*).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 7

Katherine Copsey; David Ettershank; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Sarah Mansfield;  
Rachel Payne; Aiv Puglielli; Georgie Purcell.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

NOES, 32

Ryan Batchelor; Melina Bath; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad;  
Georgie Crozier; David Davis; Moira Deeming; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora;  
Michael Galea; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick;  
Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Tom McIntosh;  
Evan Mulholland; Harriet Shing; Ingrid Stitt; Jaclyn Symes; Lee Tarlamis; Sonja Terpstra;  
Gayle Tierney; Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell; Sheena Watt; Richard Welch.

*(Recorded by Clerks-at-the-Table, pursuant to an order of the Council on 23 April 2020)*

Question negatived.

Clause 1 — put and agreed to.

**Clauses 2 to 35** — put and agreed to.

**Bill reported without amendment.**

**AMENDMENTS CIRCULATED IN RELATION TO —****1. VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING AMENDMENT BILL 2025***Amendments circulated by Ryan Batchelor (RB01C)*

1. Clause 6, lines 32 and 33, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—  
  
    '(b) give the person the following information—  
  
        (i) contact details for the prescribed voluntary assisted dying care navigator service;  
  
        (ii) the address of an Internet site of the Department of Health that provides information about voluntary assisted dying.".'.
2. Clause 12, lines 27 and 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—  
  
    '(b) give the person the following information—  
  
        (i) contact details for the prescribed voluntary assisted dying care navigator service;  
  
        (ii) the address of an Internet site of the Department of Health that provides information about voluntary assisted dying.".'.

*Amendments circulated by Gayle Broad (GB01C)*

1. Clause 4, page 4, lines 4 to 6, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
2. Clause 6, lines 15 to 33, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—  
  
    'At the end of section 7 of the Principal Act **insert—**  
  
    "(2) A registered health practitioner who has a conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying has the right to communicate that conscientious objection in the course of practising the registered health practitioner's profession.  
  
    **Example**  
  
    A registered health practitioner may communicate their conscientious objection by displaying a notice at the practitioner's health practice or by publishing the conscientious objection on the health practice's Internet site.".'.
3. Clause 7, omit this clause.
4. Clause 8, lines 26 to 29, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
5. Clause 10, line 21, omit "one year" and insert "5 years".

6. Clause 12, lines 22 to 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert 'must advise the person that another registered medical practitioner may be able to assist the person in relation to the person's first request.'.
7. Clause 15, omit this clause.
8. Clause 19, page 16, line 5, omit "one year" and insert "5 years".
9. Clause 28, line 5, omit "5 days" and insert "9 days".
10. Clause 59, omit this clause.
11. Clause 60, omit this clause.
12. Clause 61, omit this clause.

*Amendments circulated by Gayle Broad (GB02C)*

1. Clause 6, lines 32 and 33, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(b) give the person the following information about the voluntary assisted dying care navigator service—
  - (i) the contact details of the service;
  - (ii) how to access information about the service on the Department of Health's Internet site.

(3) A registered health practitioner who has a conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying has the right to communicate that conscientious objection in the course of practising the registered health practitioner's profession.

**Example**

A registered health practitioner may communicate their conscientious objection by displaying a notice at the practitioner's health practice or by publishing the conscientious objection on the health practice's Internet site.'.
2. Clause 7, line 5, omit "**or nurse practitioner**".
3. Clause 7, lines 7 and 8, omit "or a nurse practitioner".
4. Clause 7, page 9, line 2, omit "**may**" and insert "**must not**".
5. Clause 7, page 9, lines 4 to 6, omit "**or nurse practitioner in the course of discussion about end of life care**".
6. Clause 7, page 9, line 12, omit "or nurse practitioner".
7. Clause 7, page 9, lines 13 to 29, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - "(2) A registered health practitioner to whom this section applies must not, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person—

- (a) initiate discussion with the person that is in substance about voluntary assisted dying; or
  - (b) in substance, suggest voluntary assisted dying to that person.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (2) prevents a registered health practitioner to whom this section applies providing information about voluntary assisted dying to a person at that person's request."
- 8. Clause 7, page 9, line 30, omit "(3)" and insert "(4)".
- 9. Clause 12, lines 27 and 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(b) give the person the following information about the voluntary assisted dying care navigator service—
    - (i) the contact details of the service;
    - (ii) how to access information about the service on the Department of Health's Internet site.".'.
- 10. Clause 59, lines 3 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) Before section 75(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—
    - "(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".
  - (2) In section 75(1)(a) of the Principal Act—
    - (a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person"; and
    - (b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".'.
- 11. Clause 60, lines 12 to 19, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) Before section 76(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—
    - "(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".
  - (2) In section 76(1)(a) of the Principal Act—
    - (a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person"; and

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".

12. Clause 61, lines 21 to 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) Before section 77(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—

"(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".

(2) In section 77(1)(a) of the Principal Act—

(a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person"; and

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".

*Amendments circulated by Katherine Copsey (KC67C)*

1. Clause 8, lines 26 to 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(2) For section 9(1)(d) of the Principal Act **substitute**—

"(d) the person must be diagnosed with a disease, illness or medical condition that—

(i) is incurable; and

(ii) is advanced, progressive and will cause death; and

(iii) is causing suffering to the person that cannot be relieved in a manner that the person considers tolerable; and

(e) the person must be diagnosed with a disease, illness or medical condition that is expected to cause death within 12 months.

**Note**

A person requesting access to voluntary assisted dying may apply for an exemption from compliance with the eligibility criteria set out in this paragraph—see section 9B."

2. Clause 9, line 1, omit "**section 9A**" and insert "**sections 9A and 9B**".

3. Clause 9, line 4, omit "**criteria**" and insert "**criteria—residency in Victoria**".

4. Clause 9, page 12, line 8, omit 'Victoria.'" and insert "Victoria."

5. Clause 9, page 12, after line 8 insert—

**'9B Exemption from compliance with eligibility criteria—prognosis of death within 12 months**

- (1) A person requesting access to voluntary assisted dying (the **applicant**) may apply to the Secretary for an exemption from compliance with the eligibility criteria set out in section 9(1)(e).
- (2) The Secretary, by written notice given to the applicant, must exempt the applicant from compliance with the eligibility criteria set out in section 9(1)(e) if the Secretary is satisfied that—
  - (a) the applicant is unable to satisfy the eligibility criteria set out in section 9(1)(e); and
  - (b) there are compassionate grounds that warrant the exemption.
- (3) Before determining whether to exempt the applicant from compliance with the eligibility criteria set out in section 9(1)(e), the Secretary must—
  - (a) request the applicant's medical records relating to the disease, illness or medical condition described in section 9(1)(d) from a registered medical practitioner who—
    - (i) diagnosed the applicant with that disease, illness or medical condition; or
    - (ii) treats the applicant for that disease, illness or medical condition; and
  - (b) request a registered medical practitioner with relevant expertise or experience in the applicant's disease, illness or medical condition to advise the Secretary about that disease, illness or medical condition, having regard to the applicant's medical records.
- (4) A registered medical practitioner who receives a request under subsection (3)(a) must disclose to the Secretary any of the applicant's medical records that relate to the disease, illness or medical condition described in section 9(1)(d).".'.

6. Clause 10, after line 23 insert—

'(3) In section 10(3) of the Principal Act, for "expertise and experience" **substitute** "expertise or experience".'.

7. Clause 13, page 14, line 1, omit "9A—see sections 9A" and insert "9A or 9B—see sections 9A, 9B".

8. Clause 16, lines 22 and 23, omit "(bb)—see section 9A" and insert "(bb) or section 9(1)(e)—see sections 9A and 9B".

9. Clause 17, lines 33 and 34, omit "(bb)—see section 9A" and insert "(bb) or section 9(1)(e)—see sections 9A and 9B".

10. Clause 19, page 16, after line 7 insert—
- '(3B) In section 23(4) of the Principal Act, for "expertise and experience" **substitute** "expertise or experience".
- (3C) In section 23(6) of the Principal Act, for "expertise and experience" **substitute** "expertise or experience".'.
11. Clause 19, page 16, before line 8 insert—
- '(4) In section 23(4) of the Principal Act, for "the registered medical practitioner" **substitute** "a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner to whom a referral for a consulting assessment is made".
- (5) In section 23(6) of the Principal Act, for "co-ordinating medical" **substitute** "co-ordinating".'.
12. Clause 20, line 12, omit "9A—see sections 9A" and insert "9A or 9B—see sections 9A, 9B".
13. Clause 23, lines 33 and 34, omit "(bb)—see section 9A" and insert "(bb) or section 9(1)(e)—see sections 9A and 9B".
14. Clause 24, lines 10 and 11, omit "(bb)—see section 9A" and insert "(bb) or section 9(1)(e)—see sections 9A and 9B".

*Amendments circulated by Enver Erdogan (EE14C)*

1. Clause 6, lines 15 to 33, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
- '(1) For section 7(a) of the Principal Act **substitute**—
- "(a) to participate in any part of the provision of voluntary assisted dying, including the provision of information or referral;".
- (2) At the end of section 7 of the Principal Act **insert**—
- "(2) A registered health practitioner who has a conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying must not be required by any person, body, employer or professional standard, to—
- (a) advise a person that another registered health practitioner or a health service provider may be able to assist the person in relation to information about or access to voluntary assisted dying, or any other medical or health service to which the practitioner has a conscientious objection; or
- (b) give the person the information approved by the Secretary.
- (3) A registered health practitioner who has a conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying—
- (a) does not contravene any professional duty, standard or code of conduct; or

- (b) is not subject to any civil, criminal, administrative, or disciplinary liability, or any detriment in employment or professional standing, for acting in accordance with subsection (2).
- (4) Nothing in this section prevents a registered health practitioner who does not have a conscientious objection from providing such advice or information if they so choose.
- (5) This section has effect despite anything to the contrary in any other Act or law."

Amendments circulated by Enver Erdogan (EE15C)

NEW CLAUSE

1. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 6—

**'6A New section 7A inserted**

After section 7 of the Principal Act insert—

**"7A Application of human rights and equal opportunity legislation to conscientious objection**

A conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying—

- (a) is an aspect of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief under section 14 of the **Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006**; and
- (b) is taken to be an attribute for the purposes of the **Equal Opportunity Act 2010** as if it were listed in section 6 of that Act; and
- (c) is taken to be a protected attribute for the purposes of Part 6A of the **Equal Opportunity Act 2010** as if it were listed in section 102B of that Act."

Amendments circulated by Michael Galea (MGA01C) (in substitution for previously circulated amendments)

1. Clause 4, page 4, lines 4 to 6, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
2. Clause 4, page 4, after line 19 insert—

**"registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner** means a person registered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law to practise in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practice profession (other than as a student);"

3. Clause 4, page 4, after line 27 insert—

**"registered psychologist** means a person who is registered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law to practice in the psychology profession (other than as a student);"

4. Clause 6, line 19, omit "registered health practitioner" and insert "registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner".
5. Clause 6, lines 27 and 28, omit "registered health practitioner or a health service provider" and insert "registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner".
6. Clause 7, page 9, lines 2 to 4, omit "**a registered health practitioner who is not a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner**" and insert "**certain registered health practitioners**".
7. Clause 7, page 9, lines 7 to 12, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—  
    "(1) This section applies to the following registered health practitioners who provide health services or professional care services to a person—  
        (a) a registered nurse (other than a nurse practitioner);  
        (b) a registered psychologist;  
        (c) a registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner.".
8. Clause 7, page 9, line 34, omit 'Law.'" and insert "Law.".
9. Clause 7, page 9, after line 34 insert—

**'8B Discussion about voluntary assisted dying must not be initiated by other classes of registered health practitioners**

- (1) This section applies to a registered health practitioner who—
  - (a) provides health services or professional care services to a person;  
and
  - (b) is not a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner.
- (2) A registered health practitioner to whom this section applies must not, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person—
  - (a) initiate discussion with the person that is in substance about voluntary assisted dying; or
  - (b) in substance, suggest voluntary assisted dying to that person.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (2) prevents a registered health practitioner to whom this section applies providing information about voluntary assisted dying to a person at that person's request.
- (4) A contravention of subsection (2) is to be regarded as unprofessional conduct within the meaning and for the purposes of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law."

10. Clause 59, lines 3 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) Before section 75(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—

"(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or"

(2) In section 75(1)(a) of the Principal Act—

(a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person";

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".

11. Clause 60, lines 12 to 19, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) Before section 76(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—

"(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or"

(2) In section 76(1)(a) of the Principal Act—

(a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person";

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".

12. Clause 61, lines 21 to 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) Before section 77(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—

"(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional

care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".

(2) In section 77(a) of the Principal Act—

(a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner, registered nurse, registered psychologist or registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person";

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".

Amendments circulated by Ann-Marie Hermans (AH01C)

1. Clause 4, page 4, lines 11 to 14, omit all words and expressions on these lines.

2. Clause 6, lines 15 to 33, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) For section 7(a) of the Principal Act **substitute**—

"(a) to participate in any part of the provision of voluntary assisted dying, including the provision of information or referral;"

(2) At the end of section 7 of the Principal Act **insert**—

"(2) A registered health practitioner who has a conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying must not be required by any person, body, employer or professional standard, to advise a person that another registered health practitioner or a health service provider may be able to assist the person in relation to information about or access to voluntary assisted dying, or any other medical or health service to which the practitioner has a conscientious objection.

(3) A registered health practitioner who has a conscientious objection to voluntary assisted dying—

(a) does not contravene any professional duty, standard or code of conduct; or

(b) is not subject to any civil, criminal, administrative, or disciplinary liability, or any detriment in employment or professional standing, for acting in accordance with subsection (2).

(4) Nothing in this section prevents a registered health practitioner who does not have a conscientious objection from providing such advice or information if they so choose.

(5) This section has effect despite anything to the contrary in any other Act or law.".'. .

3. Clause 7, omit this clause.
4. Clause 8, line 7, omit "or" and insert "and".
5. Clause 8, lines 8 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
6. Clause 10, line 21, omit "one year" and insert "5 years".
7. Clause 12, omit this clause.
8. Clause 19, page 16, line 5, omit "one year" and insert "5 years".
9. Clause 26, lines 22 to 26, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
10. Clause 28, omit this clause.
11. Clause 32, page 22, lines 25 to 27, omit "requirements unless an exemption has been granted under section 115A—see sections 115 and 115A" and insert "requirements—see section 115".
12. Clause 42, lines 11 to 19, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 

'Each administering practitioner must be a registered medical practitioner who—

  - (a) holds specialist registration; or
  - (b) is a vocationally registered general practitioner.".'. .
13. Clause 49, page 40, lines 19 and 20, omit ", nurse practitioner or registered nurse".
14. Clause 59, omit this clause.
15. Clause 60, omit this clause.
16. Clause 61, omit this clause.
17. Clause 70, lines 24 to 26, omit ", nurse practitioner, registered nurse or pharmacist, the Board must notify the practitioner, nurse" and insert "or pharmacist, the Board must notify the practitioner".
18. Clause 72, lines 21 and 22, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 

"Section 113 of the Principal Act is **repealed**."
19. Clause 73, lines 29 and 30, omit ", nurse practitioners and registered nurses".
20. Clause 74, omit this clause.
21. Clause 75, omit this clause.

22. Clause 80, omit this clause.
23. Clause 84, omit this clause.

Amendments circulated by Ann-Marie Hermans (AH02C)

1. Clause 6, line 31, omit "and" and insert "or".
2. Clause 75, page 59, lines 5 and 6, omit "practitioner; or" and insert 'practitioner.'..
3. Clause 75, page 59, lines 7 to 12, omit all words and expressions on these lines.

Amendments circulated by Sarah Mansfield (SMA42C)

1. Clause 4, line 8, omit "medical".
2. Clause 4, line 13, omit "medical".
3. Clause 4, page 5, after line 6 insert—  
'(ca) in the definition of **consulting assessment** omit "medical";'.
4. Clause 4, page 5, after line 11 insert—  
'(da) for the definition of **consulting medical practitioner** substitute—  
"consulting practitioner for a person means—  
(a) a registered medical practitioner who accepts a referral to conduct a consulting assessment of the person; or  
(b) a nurse practitioner who accepts a referral to conduct a consulting assessment of the person;";'.
5. Clause 4, page 5, after line 20 insert—  
'(fa) for the definition of **co-ordinating medical practitioner** substitute—  
"co-ordinating practitioner for a person means—  
(a) a registered medical practitioner who accepts the person's first request; or  
(b) a nurse practitioner who accepts the person's first request; or  
(c) a consulting practitioner for the person who accepts a transfer of the role of co-ordinating practitioner under section 33;";'.
6. Clause 4, page 5, after line 23 insert—  
'(ga) in the definition of **final request** omit "medical";  
(gb) in the definition of **final review** omit "medical";'.

7. Clause 4, page 5, after line 28 insert—
 

'(ha) in the definition of **first assessment omit** "medical";'.
8. Clause 4, page 5, after line 33 insert—
 

'(ia) in the definition of **first request**, after "practitioner" insert "or a nurse practitioner";'.
9. Clause 4, page 6, line 17, omit "medical".
10. Clause 5, after line 2 insert—
 

'(1AA) In section 6(b)(i) and (ii), (d) and (f) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
11. Clause 8, lines 26 to 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 

"(2) Section 9(1)(d)(iii) of the Principal Act is **repealed**."

NEW CLAUSE
12. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 9—
 

**'9A Heading to Division 1 of Part 3 amended**

In the heading to Division 1 of Part 3 of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'
13. Clause 10, after line 10 insert—
 

'(1AA) In the heading to section 10 of the **Principal Act omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'
14. Clause 10, line 13, omit "medical practitioner" and insert "practitioner who is a registered medical practitioner".
15. Clause 10, line 14, omit "medical practitioner" and insert "practitioner who is a registered medical practitioner".
16. Clause 10, lines 18 to 23, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 

'(2) For section 10(2) of the Principal Act **substitute**—

"(2) If both the co-ordinating practitioner and each consulting practitioner are registered medical practitioners, either the co-ordinating practitioner or each consulting practitioner must have practised as a registered medical practitioner for at least one year after being granted specialist registration or vocational registration (as the case requires).

(2A) If either the co-ordinating practitioner or a consulting practitioner is a nurse practitioner—

(a) the co-ordinating practitioner or consulting practitioner who is a nurse practitioner must have practised as a nurse practitioner for at

least one year after being endorsed under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law to practise as a nurse practitioner; and

- (b) the co-ordinating practitioner or consulting practitioner who is a registered medical practitioner must have practised as a registered medical practitioner for at least one year after being granted specialist registration or vocational registration (as the case requires).".'

17. Clause 10, after line 23 insert—

"(3) Section 10(3) of the Principal Act is **repealed**."

NEW CLAUSE

18. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 10—

**'10A New Division 1A of Part 3 inserted**

After Division 1 of Part 3 of the Principal Act **insert—**

**"Division 1A—Requests to health service providers for information about or access to voluntary assisted dying**

**10A Requirement for health service provider—request for information about or access to voluntary assisted dying**

- (1) This section applies if a person receiving a health service at a health service facility makes a request to the health service provider who operates that facility for information about or access to voluntary assisted dying.
- (2) Within 2 days after receiving the request, the health service provider must—
  - (a) record the request in the person's medical record; and
  - (b) give the person the information approved by the Secretary.

**10B Requirement for health service provider—access to practitioners etc. for purposes of voluntary assisted dying**

- (1) This section applies if a person receiving a health service at a health service facility (the **service user**) requests to meet or have discussions with any of the following persons (a **voluntary assisted dying support person**) for the purposes of the service user requesting access to or accessing voluntary assisted dying—
  - (a) a registered medical practitioner;
  - (b) a nurse practitioner;
  - (c) a pharmacist;

- (d) the service user's contact person;
- (e) a person who is to witness the signing of a written declaration, the appointment of a contact person or the making of a practitioner administration request;
- (f) a person who the service user nominates as a voluntary assisted dying support person.

- (2) The health service provider must ensure that the voluntary assisted dying support person is given reasonable access to meet or have discussions with the service user in accordance with the service user's request.

**10C Requirement for health service provider—withdrawal of or refusal to provide health service**

A health service provider must not withdraw a health service from a person or refuse to provide a health service to a person on the basis that—

- (a) the health service provider knows that the person has made a request referred to in section 10A(1) or 10B(1); or
- (b) the health service provider believes that the person is likely to make a request referred to in section 10A(1) or 10B(1).".

**NEW CLAUSE**

- 19. Insert the following New Clause before clause 11—

**'10B Section 11 amended**

- (1) In the heading to section 11 of the Principal Act, after "**practitioner**" insert "**or nurse practitioner**".
- (2) In section 11(1) of the Principal Act, after "practitioner" insert "or a nurse practitioner".

- 20. Clause 11, after line 25 insert—

- '(1AA) In the heading to section 13 of the Principal Act, after "**practitioner**" insert "**or nurse practitioner**".
- (1AAB) In section 13(1) of the Principal Act, after "registered medical practitioner" insert "or nurse practitioner".
- (1AAC) In section 13(1)(b)(ii) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".

- 21. Clause 11, line 31, omit "The" and insert "If a first request is made to a registered medical practitioner, the".

- 22. Clause 11, page 13, lines 4 and 5, omit "must refuse the person's first" and insert "or nurse practitioner to whom a person makes a first request must refuse that".

23. Clause 11, page 13, line 15, after "practitioner" insert "or nurse practitioner".
24. Clause 12, line 19, after "**practitioner**" insert "**or nurse practitioner**".
25. Clause 12, lines 20 and 21, omit "the registered medical practitioner refuses the" and insert "a registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner refuses a".
26. Clause 12, line 24, after "practitioner" insert "or nurse practitioner".

#### NEW CLAUSES

27. Insert the following New Clauses to follow clause 12—

##### **'12A Section 14 amended**

- (1) In the heading to section 14 of the Principal Act, after "**practitioner**" insert "**or nurse practitioner**".
- (2) In section 14 of the Principal Act, for "the registered medical practitioner" **substitute** "a registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner".

##### **12B Section 15 amended**

- (1) For the heading to section 15 of the Principal Act **substitute—**  
**"Registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner who accepts first request becomes co-ordinating practitioner".**
- (2) In section 15 of the Principal Act—
  - (a) after "registered medical practitioner" **insert** "or nurse practitioner";
  - (b) for "co-ordinating medical" **substitute** "co-ordinating".

28. Clause 13, after line 29 insert—

'(1) In section 16 of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'

29. Clause 13, line 30, before "In" insert "(2)".

30. Clause 14, lines 4 to 7, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

- '(1) In the heading to section 17 of the Principal Act—
  - (a) **omit** "medical";
  - (b) **omit** "assessment" (where secondly occurring).
- (2) In section 17 of the Principal Act—
  - (a) **omit** "medical";
  - (b) **omit** "assessment" (where secondly occurring).'

31. Clause 15, after line 8 insert—  
'(1) In section 18(1), (2) and (3) of the Principal Act, for "co-ordinating medical" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "co-ordinating".'
32. Clause 15, line 9, before "Section" insert "(2)".
33. Clause 16, after line 13 insert—  
'(1AA) In the heading to section 19 of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
34. Clause 16, lines 14 to 16, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—  
'(1) In section 19(1) of the Principal Act—  
(a) for "all the eligibility criteria" **substitute** "the eligibility criteria that apply to the person";  
(b) for "co-ordinating medical" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "co-ordinating".'
35. Clause 16, after line 23 insert—  
'(3) In section 19(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).  
(4) In section 19(3) of the Principal Act, after "practitioner" **insert** "or a nurse practitioner".'
36. Clause 17, after line 24 insert—  
'(1AA) In section 20(1) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'
37. Clause 17, after line 34 insert—  
'(3) In section 20(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
38. Clause 18, after line 2 insert—  
'(1) In section 21(1) and (2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
39. Clause 18, line 3, before "In" insert "(2)".

#### NEW CLAUSE

40. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 18—

#### **'18A Section 22 substituted**

For section 22 of the Principal Act **substitute**—

#### **"22 Referral for consulting assessment if person assessed as eligible**

If the co-ordinating practitioner for a person assesses the person as eligible for access to voluntary assisted dying, the co-ordinating practitioner must—

- (a) in the case of a co-ordinating practitioner who is a registered medical practitioner—refer the person to another registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner for a consulting assessment; or
- (b) in the case of a co-ordinating practitioner who is a nurse practitioner—refer the person to a registered medical practitioner for a consulting assessment.".'.

41. Clause 19, after line 7 insert—

'(1AA) In the heading to section 23 of the Principal Act, after "**practitioner**" insert "**or nurse practitioner**".

(1AAB) In section 23(1) of the Principal Act—

- (a) for "practitioner receives" **substitute** "practitioner or a nurse practitioner (the **receiving practitioner**) receives";
- (b) for "co-ordinating medical" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "co-ordinating";
- (c) for "33(3)(a)" **substitute** "33(3)(a)(i) or (b)(i)";
- (d) for "registered medical practitioner must" **substitute** "receiving practitioner must";
- (e) for "that the practitioner" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "that the receiving practitioner";
- (f) in paragraph (b), for "because the practitioner" **substitute** "because the receiving practitioner";
- (g) in paragraph (b)(ii), for "consulting medical" **substitute** "consulting".'

42. Clause 19, line 12, omit "The" and insert "If a referral for a consulting assessment is made to a registered medical practitioner, the".

43. Clause 19, lines 17 to 19, omit "The registered medical practitioner must refuse the referral for a consulting assessment of the person" and insert "A registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner to whom a referral for a consulting assessment of a person is made must refuse that referral".

44. Clause 19, line 28, after "practitioner" insert "or nurse practitioner".

45. Clause 19, page 16, lines 1 to 7, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(3) For section 23(3) of the Principal Act **substitute**—

"(3) Subject to subsection (5), a registered medical practitioner to whom a referral for a consulting assessment is made must refuse the referral if the practitioner has not practised as a registered medical practitioner for at

least one year after being granted specialist registration or vocational registration (as the case requires).

(3A) A nurse practitioner to whom a referral for a consulting assessment is made must refuse the referral if the practitioner has not practised as a nurse practitioner for at least one year after being endorsed under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law to practise as a nurse practitioner."

(3A) For section 23(5) of the Principal Act **substitute—**

"(5) Subsection (3) does not apply if the co-ordinating practitioner—

(a) is a registered medical practitioner; and

(b) has practised as a registered medical practitioner for at least one year after being granted specialist registration or vocational registration (as the case requires).".'

46. Clause 19, page 16, after line 7 insert—

"(4) Section 23(4) and (6) of the Principal Act are **repealed**".

#### NEW CLAUSE

47. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 19—

#### **'19A Section 24 amended**

(1) For the heading to section 24 of the Principal Act **substitute—**

**"Registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner who accepts referral becomes consulting practitioner"**.

(2) In section 24 of the Principal Act—

(a) after "registered medical practitioner" **insert** "or nurse practitioner";

(b) for "consulting medical" **substitute** "consulting".'

48. Clause 20, after line 8 insert—

'(1) In section 25 of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'

49. Clause 20, line 9, before "In" insert "(2)".

50. Clause 21, lines 15 to 18, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) In the heading to section 26 of the Principal Act—

(a) **omit** "medical";

(b) **omit** "assessment" (where secondly occurring).

(2) In section 26 of the Principal Act—

- (a) **omit** "medical";
  - (b) **omit** "assessment" (where secondly occurring).'.
- 51. Clause 22, lines 20 and 21, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) In section 27(1) of the Principal Act—
    - (a) **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring); and
    - (b) for "criteria,," **substitute** "criteria,".
  - (2) In section 27(2) and (3) of the Principal Act, for "consulting medical" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "consulting".'.
- 52. Clause 23, after line 24 insert—
  - '(1AA) In the heading to section 28 of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'.
- 53. Clause 23, lines 25 to 27, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) In section 28(1) of the Principal Act—
    - (a) for "consulting medical" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "consulting";
    - (b) for "all the eligibility criteria" **substitute** "the eligibility criteria that apply to the person";
    - (c) in paragraph (g), for "co-ordinating medical" **substitute** "co-ordinating".'.
- 54. Clause 23, after line 34 insert—
  - '(3) In section 28(2) of the Principal Act, after "practitioner" **insert** "or a nurse practitioner".'.
- 55. Clause 24, after line 1 insert—
  - '(1AA) In section 29(1) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'.
- 56. Clause 24, after line 11 insert—
  - '(3) In section 29(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'.
- 57. Clause 25, after line 13 insert—
  - '(1) In section 30 of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (wherever occurring).'.
- 58. Clause 25, line 14, before "In" insert "(2)".

#### NEW CLAUSES

- 59. Insert the following New Clauses to follow clause 25—

#### **'25A Section 31 substituted**

For section 31 of the Principal Act **substitute**—

**"31 Co-ordinating practitioner may refer person assessed as ineligible for further consulting assessment**

If a consulting practitioner for a person requesting access to voluntary assisted dying assesses the person as ineligible for access to voluntary assisted dying, the co-ordinating practitioner for the person may—

- (a) in the case of a co-ordinating practitioner who is a registered medical practitioner—refer the person to another registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner for a further consulting assessment; or
- (b) in the case of a co-ordinating practitioner who is a nurse practitioner—refer the person to a registered medical practitioner for a further consulting assessment."

**25B Section 32 amended**

- (1) In the heading to section 32 of the Principal Act **omit "medical"** (where twice occurring).
- (2) In section 32 of the Principal Act **omit "medical"** (wherever occurring).

**25C Section 33 amended**

- (1) In the heading to section 33 of the Principal Act **omit "medical"**.
- (2) In section 33(1) and (2) of the Principal Act **omit "medical"** (wherever occurring).
- (3) For section 33(3) of the Principal Act **substitute—**
  - "(3) If the consulting practitioner for a person refuses the transfer of the role of co-ordinating practitioner, the co-ordinating practitioner for the person may—
    - (a) if the co-ordinating practitioner is a registered medical practitioner—
      - (i) refer the person to another registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner to conduct a further consulting assessment; and
      - (ii) transfer the role of co-ordinating practitioner to the other registered medical practitioner or the nurse practitioner if the registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner—
        - (A) accepts the referral to conduct a further consulting assessment; and
        - (B) assesses the person as eligible for access to voluntary assisted dying; and

- (C) accepts the transfer of the role; or
    - (b) if the co-ordinating practitioner is a nurse practitioner—
      - (i) refer the person to a registered medical practitioner to conduct a further consulting assessment; and
      - (ii) transfer the role of co-ordinating practitioner to the registered medical practitioner if the registered medical practitioner—
        - (A) accepts the referral to conduct a further consulting assessment; and
        - (B) assesses the person as eligible for access to voluntary assisted dying; and
        - (C) accepts the transfer of the role."
  - (4) In section 33(4) of the Principal Act, for "the registered medical practitioner accepts a referral to conduct a further consulting assessment" **substitute** "a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner accepts a referral to conduct a further consulting assessment under subsection (3)(a) or (b)".'
60. Clause 26, after line 18 insert—
- '(1AA) In section 34(1)(a) and (b) and (2)(b) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
- NEW CLAUSE
61. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 26—
- '26A Certification of witness to signing of written declaration**
- In section 36(3) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
62. Clause 27, lines 28 and 29, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
- 'In the heading to Division 6 of Part 3 of the Principal Act—
- (a) **omit** ", contact person";
  - (b) **omit** "medical".'
- NEW CLAUSE
63. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 27—
- '27A Person may make final request**
- In section 37(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'
64. Clause 28, after line 12 insert—
- '(3) In section 38(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).'

65. Clause 30, after line 17 insert—
- '(1AA) In the heading to section 41 of the Principal Act **omit "medical"**.
- (1AAB) In section 41(1) of the Principal Act **omit "medical"**.'.
66. Clause 30, after line 25 insert—
- '(4) In section 41(2) of the Principal Act **omit "medical"**.'.
67. Clause 31, after line 28 insert—
- '(1) In the heading to section 43 of the Principal Act **omit "medical"**.'.
68. Clause 31, lines 29 and 30, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
- '(2) In section 43 of the Principal Act—
- (a) **omit "medical"** (where twice occurring);
- (b) **omit "under section 47 or 48"**.'.
69. Clause 32, line 7, omit "medical".
70. Clause 32, page 20, line 4, omit "medical".
71. Clause 32, page 20, line 7, omit "medical".
72. Clause 32, page 20, line 29, omit "medical".
73. Clause 32, page 21, line 3, omit "medical".
74. Clause 32, page 22, line 28, omit "**medical**".
75. Clause 32, page 22, line 32, omit "medical".
76. Clause 32, page 22, line 34, omit "medical".
77. Clause 36, line 32, omit "medical".
78. Clause 36, page 24, line 1, omit "medical".
79. Clause 36, page 24, line 22, omit "medical".
80. Clause 38, line 13, omit "medical".

NEW CLAUSE

81. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 38—
- '38A Secretary may amend voluntary assisted dying permit**
- In section 51(2)(a) and (3) of the Principal Act **omit "medical"**.'.
82. Clause 39, page 26, line 2, omit "medical".

83. Clause 39, page 29, line 2, omit "medical".
84. Clause 43, line 26, omit "medical".
85. Clause 43, line 30, omit "medical".
86. Clause 43, page 33, line 12, omit "**medical**".
87. Clause 43, page 33, line 19, omit "medical".
88. Clause 43, page 33, line 27, omit "medical".
89. Clause 43, page 34, line 3, omit "**medical**".
90. Clause 43, page 34, line 7, omit "medical".
91. Clause 43, page 34, line 10, omit "medical".
92. Clause 43, page 34, line 15, omit "medical".
93. Clause 43, page 34, line 21, omit "medical".
94. Clause 43, page 34, line 27, omit "medical".
95. Clause 43, page 35, line 15, omit "medical".
96. Clause 49, line 5, omit "**medical**".
97. Clause 49, line 16, omit "medical".
98. Clause 49, line 21, omit "medical".
99. Clause 52, line 13, omit "medical".
100. Clause 55, after line 20 insert—

'(1AA) In section 68(1)(a), (b) and (c) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'.
101. Clause 56, after line 27 insert—

'(1) In section 69(a) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'.
102. Clause 56, line 28, before "After" insert "(2)".
103. Clause 57, after line 3 insert—

'(1AA) In section 70(b) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical".'.
104. Clause 58, lines 2 to 7, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) For the heading to section 73 of the Principal Act **substitute**—  
"**Co-ordinating practitioner, consulting practitioner or administering practitioner may refuse to continue process**".

(2) In section 73(1) of the Principal Act—

(a) **omit** "medical" (wherever occurring);

(b) for "or if" **substitute** "if".

(2A) In section 73(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (where twice occurring).<sup>1</sup>.

105. Clause 58, after line 21 insert—

'(3A) In section 73(3) of the Principal Act **omit** "medical" (wherever occurring).

(3B) For section 73(4) of the Principal Act **substitute**—

"(4) If a consulting practitioner for a person refuses under subsection (2) to resume a consulting assessment, the co-ordinating practitioner for the person may—

(a) in the case of a co-ordinating practitioner who is a registered medical practitioner—refer the person to another registered medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner for a further consulting assessment; or

(b) in the case of a co-ordinating practitioner who is a nurse practitioner—refer the person to a registered medical practitioner for a further consulting assessment."<sup>1</sup>.

106. Clause 73, line 32, omit "medical".

107. Clause 73, line 33, omit "medical".

108. Clause 75, page 59, line 3, omit "medical".

109. Clause 76, line 16, after "cause a" insert "legislative".

110. Clause 76, line 17, omit "5 years" and insert "3 years".

111. Clause 78, page 63, after line 5 insert—

**"co-ordinating medical practitioner** for a person means the person's co-ordinating medical practitioner within the meaning of this Act as in force immediately before the commencement day;"<sup>1</sup>.

*Amendments circulated by Evan Mulholland (EM34C)*

1. Clause 7, page 9, line 2, omit "**may**" and insert "**must not**".

2. Clause 7, page 9, lines 5 and 6, omit "**in the course of discussion about end of life care**".

3. Clause 7, page 9, lines 13 to 29, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(2) A registered health practitioner to whom this section applies must not, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person—

- (a) initiate discussion with the person that is in substance about voluntary assisted dying; or
  - (b) in substance, suggest voluntary assisted dying to that person.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (2) prevents a registered health practitioner to whom this section applies providing information about voluntary assisted dying to a person at that person's request, provided that information consists only of advising the person that the most appropriate person with whom to discuss voluntary assisted dying or any treatment or palliative care options available to that person is—
  - (a) the registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner who is responsible for the person's medical care; or
  - (b) any other registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner."
- 4. Clause 7, page 9, line 30, omit "(3)" and insert "(4)".
- 5. Clause 59, lines 3 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) Before section 75(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—
    - "(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".
  - (2) In section 75(1)(a) of the Principal Act—
    - (a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person"; and
    - (b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".'
- 6. Clause 60, lines 12 to 19, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) Before section 76(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—
    - "(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".
  - (2) In section 76(1)(a) of the Principal Act—

(a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person"; and

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".'. .

7. Clause 61, lines 21 to 28, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

'(1) Before section 77(a) of the Principal Act **insert**—

"(aa) who is a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person, initiating or attempting to initiate a discussion about voluntary assisted dying with that person that is not, or would not be, in accordance with this Act; or".

(2) In section 77(a) of the Principal Act—

(a) for "provides health services or professional care services to a person is" **substitute** "is not a registered medical practitioner or nurse practitioner is, in the course of providing health services or professional care services to a person"; and

(b) in subparagraph (i) **omit** "in the course of providing those services to the person,".'. .

#### Amendments circulated by Evan Mulholland (EM39C)

1. Clause 6, line 32, after "information" insert "about the voluntary assisted dying care navigator service that is".
2. Clause 12, line 27, after "information" insert "about the voluntary assisted dying care navigator service that is".

## **2. CONSUMER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2025**

#### Amendments circulated by Aiv Puqlielli (AP58C)

1. Clause 1, page 2, after line 7 insert—

"(vi) to provide for a limit on rent increases in accordance with the wage price index for Victoria published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics; and".

## NEW CLAUSES

2. Insert the following New Division after Division 4 of Part 2—

**'Division 4A—Amendments in relation to rent increases.**

**21A Definitions**

- (1) In section 3(1) of the **Residential Tenancies Act 1997**, in paragraph (d) of the definition of *visitor*, for "tenant." substitute "tenant;".
- (2) In section 3(1) of the **Residential Tenancies Act 1997** insert the following definition—

**"*wage price index*"** means—

- (a) the index titled "All-Industries Total Hourly Rates of Pay Excluding Bonuses for the Private and Public Sectors in Victoria" in original terms published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics; or
- (b) an index published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics that is equivalent to the index referred to in paragraph (a)."

**21B Rent increases**

After section 44(4B) of the **Residential Tenancies Act 1997** insert—

- "(4C) A residential rental provider must not increase the rent payable under a residential rental agreement at a rate that is greater than the wage price index number for the previous financial year.
- (4D) The Director must publish the wage price index for each financial year on an Internet Site maintained by the Director.".

