



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
60TH PARLIAMENT
No. 149

No. 149 — Tuesday, 9 December 2025

1 The President took the Chair at 12.04 pm, pursuant to an order of the Council on 3 December 2025, read the Prayer and made an Acknowledgement of Country.

2 ASSENT TO ACTS — The President read a Message 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:

Crimes Amendment (Retail, Fast Food, Hospitality and Transport Worker Harm) Act 2025

Early Childhood Legislation Amendment (Child Safety) Act 2025

Justice Legislation Amendment (Community Safety) Act 2025

Justice Legislation Amendment (Police and Other Matters) Act 2025

Transport Legislation Amendment Act 2025.

3 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 — On the motion of Georgie Crozier, the answers given by Lizzie Blandthorn to questions relating to deaths of infants in child protection (QwN 1185) were ordered to be taken into consideration on the next day of meeting.

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QUESTIONS DIRECTED FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE — The President directed ministers to provide written responses to questions without notice pursuant to Standing Order 8.07 as follows:

- **Implementation of Ombudsman recommendations (QwN 1182)** — substantive and supplementary questions asked by Anasina Gray-Barberio — response from Enver Erdogan due Thursday, 11 December 2025.
- **Fire risk in renewable energy zones (QwN 1184)** — substantive question asked by Rikkie-Lee Tyrrell — response from Gayle Tierney due Thursday, 11 December 2025.

- **Roadside drug testing (QwN 1186)** — substantive and supplementary questions asked by Rachel Payne — response from Enver Erdogan due Thursday, 11 December 2025.

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CONSTITUENCY QUESTIONS — Members asked constituency questions.

4 MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY — PERFORMANCE AUDITS OF THE INDEPENDENT BROAD-BASED ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION AND INTEGRITY OVERSIGHT VICTORIA — The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly advising the Council that they have agreed to the following resolution:

That under section 170(1) of the *Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Act 2011* and section 90D(1) of the *Integrity and Oversight Victoria Act 2011*:

- (a) O'Connor Marsden and Associates Pty Ltd (O'Connor Marsden) be appointed to conduct the performance audits of the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission (IBAC) and Integrity Oversight Victoria (IOV);
- (b) in accordance with the Agreement for the provision of services for the performance audits of the IBAC and IOV;
- (c) the level of remuneration be \$397,485 (including GST) in respect of the performance audit of IBAC, to be paid upon completion of the following:
 - (i) \$79,497 (including GST) upon Parliament's acceptance of O'Connor Marsden's audit plan, representing 20 per cent of the total fee;
 - (ii) \$119,245.50 (including GST) upon Parliament's acceptance of O'Connor Marsden's progress report, representing 30 per cent of the total fee;
 - (iii) \$198,742.50 (including GST) upon Parliament's acceptance of O'Connor Marsden's final draft report, representing 50 per cent of the total fee; and
- (d) the level of remuneration be \$205,700 (including GST) in respect of the performance audit of IOV, to be paid upon completion of the following:
 - (i) \$41,400 (including GST) upon Parliament's acceptance of O'Connor Marsden's audit plan, representing 20 per cent of the total fee;
 - (ii) \$61,710 (including GST) upon Parliament's acceptance of O'Connor Marsden's progress report, representing 30 per cent of the total fee;
 - (iii) \$102,850 (including GST) upon Parliament's acceptance of O'Connor Marsden's final draft report, representing 50 per cent of the total fee —

and requesting the agreement of the Legislative Council.

On the motion of Jaclyn Symes, by leave, the Assembly's Message was ordered to be taken into consideration forthwith.

Jaclyn Symes moved, That —

- (1) the Council agrees with the Assembly and resolves to appoint O'Connor Marsden and Associates Pty Ltd to conduct the performance audits of the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission and Integrity Oversight Victoria; and
- (2) a Message be sent to the Assembly informing them that the Council have agreed with the Assembly's resolution.

Question — put and agreed to.

Message sent to the Assembly informing them accordingly.

5 PETITIONS —

RECONSIDER THE PROPOSED CAIRNLEA ESTATE MASTER PLAN — Moira Deeming presented a petition bearing 2,119 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to urgently reconsider the proposed Cairnlea Estate Master Plan and develop a Precinct Structure Plan that includes a diverse range of housing options, an indoor multipurpose recreational facility with an aquatic centre and integrated parks and sporting fields (*Ordered to be tabled*).

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

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FUNDING FOR THE 'TOOLS FOR THE TRADE' PROGRAM — Ann-Marie Hermans presented a petition bearing 487 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to urgently secure ongoing funding for the 'Tools For The Trade' program beyond July 2025 (*Ordered to be tabled*).

On the motion of Ann-Marie Hermans, the petition was ordered to be taken into consideration on the next day of meeting.

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PROHIBIT WASTE-TO-ENERGY INCINERATION — Sarah Mansfield presented a petition bearing 564 signatures from certain citizens of Victoria requesting that the Legislative Council call on the Government to demonstrate leadership in waste management as an essential community service, with an immediate moratorium on all proposed waste-to-energy incinerator projects and legislation to prohibit waste-to-energy incineration anywhere in Victoria (*Ordered to be tabled*).

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

6 PAPERS —

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

Financial Management Act 1994 — 2025-26 Budget Update (incorporating Quarterly Financial Report No. 1) (*released on 5 December 2025 — a non-sitting day*).

Fisheries Act 1995 — Report, 2024-25 on the disbursement of Recreational Fishing Licence Revenue from the Recreational Fishing Licence Trust Account.

Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission — Report, 2024-25.

Mental Health Tribunal — Report, 2024-25.

Planning and Environment Act 1987 — Notices of approval of the —
Ballarat Planning Scheme — Amendment C249.

Wangaratta Planning Scheme — Amendment C83.

Warrnambool Planning Scheme — Amendment C216.

Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme — Amendment C230.

Statutory Rules under the following Acts of Parliament —

Children, Youth and Families Act 2005 — Criminal Procedure Act 2009 —
No. 131.

Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 — No. 129.

Magistrates' Court Act 1989 — Nos. 132, 133 and 134.

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — No. 130.

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 — Documents under section 15 in relation to Statutory Rule Nos. 129 and 135.

Victorian Collaborative Centre for Mental Health and Wellbeing — Report, 2024-25.

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PAPER PRESENTED UNDER STANDING ORDERS — The Clerk tabled the following paper: Response from the Minister for Planning to petition titled Rezoning of Rosedale Golf Course (Petition No. 704) (presented by Ann-Marie Hermans on 15 October 2025) (*released on 4 December 2025*).

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

Roads and Ports Legislation Amendment (Road Safety and Other Matters) Act 2025 — Division 1 of Part 5 and sections 9, 14, 23, 24, 29 to 37, 40 to 42, and 62 to 64 — 3 December 2025 — Part 7, Divisions 3 and 4 of Part 9 and sections 82 and 83 — 1 January 2026 (*Gazette S672, 2 December 2025*).

Transport Legislation Amendment (Vehicle Sharing Scheme Safety and Standards) Act 2025 — Part 1 and sections 3, 4 and 5 — 3 December 2025 (*Gazette S672, 2 December 2025*).

Victorian Early Childhood Regulatory Authority Act 2025 — Whole Act — 1 January 2026 (*Gazette S672, 2 December 2025*).

The Clerk tabled a proclamation of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council fixing an operative date for the following Act:

Tobacco Amendment (Tobacco Retailer and Wholesaler Licensing Scheme) Act 2024 — Remaining provisions — 1 February 2026 (*Gazette S648, 25 November 2025*).

7 PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS — EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION — In response to the resolution of the Council on 18 June 2025 (on the motion of Anasina Gray-Barberio), and further to the Government's initial response on 29 July 2025, relating to early childhood education, the Clerk tabled —

- 17 documents and a schedule of the identified documents; and
- a letter from the Attorney-General, dated 8 December 2025, advising that given the breadth of the scope of the Order and the high volume of documents responsive to the Order, the Government has decided to release the documents in tranches and focus on final documents relevant to final enforcement actions.

8 SITTING OF THE COUNCIL — Jaclyn Symes moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 3 February 2026.

Question — put and agreed to.

9 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS — Members made statements.

10 BUSINESS POSTPONED — Ordered — That the consideration of notices of motion, government business, Nos. 278 to 1210, and order of the day, government business, No. 1, be postponed until later this day.

11 PLANNING AMENDMENT (BETTER DECISIONS MADE FASTER) BILL 2025 — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Katherine Copsey (for Sarah Mansfield) (*SMA53C*) (to replace previously circulated amendments) and David Ettershank (*DE10C*) circulated amendments proposed to be moved during Committee of the whole.

Question — put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

David Davis moved, That —

- (1) a Select Committee of six members be appointed to inquire into, consider and report, by 31 March 2026, on the Planning Amendment (Better Decisions Made Faster) Bill 2025 and in undertaking this inquiry examine the following —
 - (a) the appropriateness of the planning changes proposed in the Bill;
 - (b) the adequacy or otherwise of consultation with Victorian municipal councils and the Victorian community;
 - (c) if the Bill is the best mechanism to achieve its stated objectives;
 - (d) the impact on heritage of the measures proposed in the Bill;
 - (e) the impact on participatory democracy of the changes proposed in the Bill;
 - (f) other proposed amendments either in addition to or in replacement for proposed changes in the Bill, including mechanisms for mandating the inclusion of social or affordable housing in new residential developments in locations where it is financially viable to do so;
 - (g) the appropriate mix of mandatory and discretionary height restrictions;
 - (h) the appropriate role of municipal councils in managing planning and reflecting the views of their local community; and
 - (i) other matters the committee considers appropriate to improve the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*;
- (2) the Committee consist of two members from the Government nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Council, two members from the Opposition nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Council, and two members from among the remaining members in the Council, to be nominated jointly by those remaining members;
- (3) the members will be appointed by lodgement of the names with the President within five calendar days of the Council agreeing to this resolution;
- (4) a member of the Committee may appoint a substitute to act in their place (for nominated meetings or for a defined period of time) by that member, or the leader of that member's party, writing to the Chair advising of the member who will act as their substitute;
- (5) a member who has been substituted off the Committee must not participate in any proceedings of the Committee for the nominated meetings or defined period of time that they have been substituted off for;
- (6) substitute members will have all the rights of a member of the Committee and shall be taken to be a member of the Committee for the purpose of forming a quorum;
- (7) the Chair of the Committee will be a non-Government member; and

- (8) the first meeting of the Committee will be held within one week of members' names being lodged with the President.

Debate ensued.

Question — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 18

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

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

NOES, 21

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

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Question negatived.

Bill committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

[Sitting suspended from 6.28 pm to 7.33 pm]

Bill further considered in Committee of the whole.

Bill reported with amendments, the Report was adopted.

Harriet Shing moved, That the Bill be now read a third time and do pass.

Question — put.

The Council divided — The President in the Chair.

AYES, 20

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

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NOES, 16

Melina Bath; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; David Davis; David Ettershank; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Evan Mulholland; Rachel Payne; 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.

12 SOCIAL SERVICES REGULATION AMENDMENT (CHILD SAFETY, COMPLAINTS AND WORKER REGULATION) BILL 2025 — The President read a Message from the Assembly informing the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in this Bill.

13 LABOUR HIRE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (LICENSING) BILL 2025 — Debate resumed on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question — put and 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 3 December 2025.

Jaclyn Symes 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.

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.

14 ADJOURNMENT — Ingrid Stitt moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Council adjourned at 10.53 pm until Tuesday, 3 February 2026.

ROBERT McDONALD
Clerk of the Legislative Council

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Supplement to Minutes No. 149

PLANNING AMENDMENT (BETTER DECISIONS MADE FASTER) BILL 2025

Committed Tuesday, 9 December 2025

Amendments circulated: David Ettershank (DE10C) (pp. 1411-16), Sarah Mansfield (SM53C) (pp. 1416-18) and Clause 2 options (six scenarios) (pp. 1418-21)

Clause 1 — put and agreed to.

Clause 2 — The Deputy President circulated a set of six scenarios of options of consequential amendment combinations for amendments to Clause 2.

Clause 2 — postponed.

Clauses 3 and 4 — put and agreed to.

Clause 5 — David Ettershank moved amendment No. 3 (DE10C).

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

Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 3 (SM53C).

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

David Ettershank moved amendment No. 5 (DE10C).

Question — That the amendment be agreed to — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 18

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

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

NOES, 21

Ryan Batchelor; John Berger; Lizzie Blandthorn; Katherine Copsey; Enver Erdogan; Jacinta Ermacora; Michael Galea; Anasina Gray-Barberio; Shaun Leane; David Limbrick; 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 negatived.

Clause 5, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 6 to 8 — put and agreed to.

Clause 9 — Question — That Clause 9 stand part of the Bill — put and negated.

Clause 10 — put and agreed to.

Clause 11 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 5 and 6 (*SM53C*).

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

Clause 11, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 12 to 38 — put and agreed to.

Clause 39 — Question — That Clause 39 stand part of the Bill — put and negated.

New Clause 39A — David Ettershank moved amendment No. 12 (*DE10C*).

Question — That New Clause 39A stand part of the Bill — put.

The Committee divided — The Deputy President in the Chair.

AYES, 19

Melina Bath; Jeff Bourman; Gaelle Broad; Georgie Crozier; David Davis; Moira Deeming; David Ettershank; Renee Heath; Ann-Marie Hermans; David Limbrick; Wendy Lovell; Trung Luu; Bev McArthur; Joe McCracken; Nick McGowan; Evan Mulholland; Rachel Payne; 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.

Clauses 40 to 47 — put and agreed to.

Clause 48 — Question — That Clause 48 stand part of the Bill — put and negated.

Clause 49 — Question — That Clause 49 stand part of the Bill — put and negated.

Clauses 50 to 73 — put and agreed to.

Clause 74 — David Davis moved, That the Deputy President report progress and seek leave to sit again.

Debate ensued.

Question — put and negated.

David Ettershank moved amendment No. 16 (*DE10C*).

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

Clauses 74 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 75 to 77 — put and agreed to.

Clause 78 — David Ettershank moved amendment Nos. 20 and 21 (*DE10C*).

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

Clause 78 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 79 to 82 — put and agreed to.

Clause 83 — David Ettershank moved amendment No. 22 (*DE10C*).

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

David Ettershank moved amendment No. 23 (*DE10C*).

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

Clause 83 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 84 and 85 — put and agreed to.

Clause 86 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 10 to 16 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 86, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 87 to 101 — put and agreed to.

Clause 102 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 17 and 18 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 102, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 103 to 114 — put and agreed to.

Clause 115 — David Ettershank moved amendment Nos. 24 to 26 (*DE10C*).

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

Clause 115 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 116 to 144 — put and agreed to.

Clause 145 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 19 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 145, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 146 to 154 — put and agreed to.

Clause 155 — David Ettershank moved amendment No. 27 (*DE10C*).

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

Clause 155 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 156 to 231 — put and agreed to.

New Clause 231A — David Ettershank moved amendment Nos. 28 and 29 (*DE10C*).

Question — That the amendment to the Part heading preceding Clause 232 be agreed to and

New Clause 231A stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clause 232 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 20 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 232, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 233 to 235 — Question — That the Part heading preceding Clause 233 and Clauses 233 to 235 stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clauses 236 to 248 — put and agreed to.

Clause 249 — Question — That the Division heading preceding Clause 249 and Clause 249 stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clauses 250 to 254 — put and agreed to.

Clause 255 — Question — That the Division heading preceding Clause 255 and Clause 255 stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clause 256 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 29.

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

Clause 256, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clause 257 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 30.

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

Clause 257, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clause 258 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 31.

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

Clause 258, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clause 259 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 32 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 259, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 260 — put and agreed to.

Clause 261 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 33 and 34 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 261, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clause 262 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment No. 35 (*SMA53C*).

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

Clause 262, as amended — put and agreed to.

Clauses 263 and 264 — put and agreed to.

Postponed Clause 2 — Sarah Mansfield moved amendment Nos. 1 and 2 as drafted (*Clause 2 options – Scenario 1*).

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

Clause 2, as amended — put and agreed to.

Bill reported with amendments.

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LABOUR HIRE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (LICENSING) BILL 2025

Committed Tuesday, 9 December 2025

Amendments circulated: Richard Welch (RW04C, RW05C and RW09C) (pp. 1421-24)

Clauses 1 to 3 — put and agreed to.

New Clause 3A — Richard Welch moved amendment No. 1 (*RW04C*).

Question — That New Clause 3A stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

New Clause 3B — Richard Welch moved amendment No. 2 (*RW04C*).

Question — That New Clause 3B stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clause 4 — Richard Welch moved amendment No. 1 (*RW09C*).

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

Clause 4 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 9 — put and agreed to.

Clause 10 — Richard Welch moved amendment Nos. 7 to 9 (*RW04C*).

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

Richard Welch moved amendment No. 3 (*RW09C*).

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

Clause 10 — put and agreed to.

Clause 11 — Richard Welch moved amendment No. 10 (*RW04C*).

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

Richard Welch moved amendment No. 11 (*RW04C*).

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

Clause 11 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 12 to 19 — put and agreed to.

Clause 20 — Richard Welch moved amendment No. 18 (*RW04C*).

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

Clause 20 — put and agreed to.

Clauses 21 to 28 — put and agreed to.

New Clause 28A — Richard Welch moved amendment No. 19 (*RW04C*).

Question — That New Clause 28A stand part of the Bill — put and negatived.

Clauses 29 to 31 — put and agreed to.

Bill reported without amendment.

AMENDMENTS CIRCULATED IN RELATION TO —**1. PLANNING AMENDMENT (BETTER DECISIONS MADE FASTER) BILL 2025***Amendments circulated by David Ettershank (DE10C)*

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 "(1) This Part and sections 7(1), 10, 11(2) and 231A come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
 (1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."
2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".
3. Clause 5, line 11, after "the" insert "fair,".
4. Clause 5, line 26, after "ecological" insert "processes".
5. Clause 5, page 4, lines 5 and 6, omit "facilitate well-designed and high amenity places that are" and insert "protect human life and to facilitate well-designed and high amenity places that are efficient,".
6. Clause 6, page 6, after line 7 insert—
 "(3) The Minister must undertake a program of consultation on a State planning strategy with the First People's Assembly, municipal councils and Victorians before recommending the approval of the strategy."
7. Clause 6, page 8, after line 11 insert—
 "(3) The Minister must undertake a program of consultation on a regional planning strategy with registered Aboriginal parties, municipal councils and Victorians in the prescribed region before recommending the approval of the strategy."
8. Clause 9, omit this clause.
9. Clause 11, line 20, before "After" insert "(1)".
10. Clause 11, after line 22, insert—
 '(2) After section 6(2) of the Principal Act **insert**—
 "(2AA) For the purposes of subsection (2)(k), a use or development of land may be conditional on an agreement to provide an affordable housing contribution.
 (2AAB) An agreement to provide an affordable housing contribution is subject to—
 (a) the relevant planning scheme having identified that there is a need for affordable housing in the area; and
 (b) the application having exceeded a prescribed threshold expressed in terms of number of dwellings or value of development; and
 (c) the affordable housing contribution being in a prescribed form; and

(d) the affordable housing contribution, if it is in the form of money, being paid to Homes Victoria (within the meaning of the **Housing Act 1983**).

(2AAC) Any money collected under subsection (2AAB)(d) must be spent on a project to construct new affordable housing in Victoria.".'.

11. Clause 39, omit this clause.

NEW CLAUSE

12. Insert the following New Clause before clause 40—

"39A Parliament may revoke an amendment

Section 38(6) of the Principal Act is **repealed**."

13. Clause 41, page 62, after line 5 insert—

"(5) The scheme must also require the reporting of the operation of the planning scheme amendment process in relation to amendments for which the Minister is the planning authority, to the same standard as that required for other planning authorities."

14. Clause 48, omit this clause.

15. Clause 49, omit this clause.

16. Clause 74, after line 3 insert—

'(aa) in the definition of **business day**—

(i) in paragraph (b), after "half-holiday;" **insert "or";**

(ii) after paragraph (b) **insert—**

"(c) in Part 4, a day between 23 December in a calendar year and 2 January in the following calendar year, including those days;".'.

17. Clause 74, lines 25 and 26, omit "of a class specified under section 50B;" and insert "—

(a) of a class specified under section 50B; or

(b) for the development of a dwelling;".

18. Clause 75, line 10, before "In" insert "(1)".

19. Clause 75, after line 15 insert—

'(2) After section 6(2A) of the Principal Act **insert—**

"(2B) Despite subsection (2)(kcb), any type 2 or 3 application that is a class of application requiring a permit to construct a dwelling must not be exempted wholly or in part from—

(a) the requirements of section 60(1)(e) and (1A)(f) and (fa); or

(b) the requirements of section 60(1A)(g) and (h) insofar as they relate to evidence of risk of fire, flood, land-slip, erosion or other natural hazard.".'.

20. Clause 78, line 2, before "In" insert "(1)".

21. Clause 78, after line 24 insert—
- '(2) After section 47(2) of the Principal Act **insert—**
- "(3) If more than a prescribed number of applications are received by a responsible authority on a single day, the responsible authority may determine that any one or more of those applications are taken to have been received on the next business day or the business day following the next business day.".'
22. Clause 83, line 13, after "until" insert "10 business days have passed after".
23. Clause 83, page 85, after line 21 insert—
- "(4) Despite subsection (3), a notice under subsection (2) may be given before the time prescribed under section 66A(1).".
24. Clause 115, lines 30 and 31, omit "grant and issue the permit with or without conditions." and insert "—
- (a) grant and issue the permit with or without conditions; or
- (b) amend the application to specify a different application type if the responsible authority considers the application to have been incorrectly specified as a type 1 application.".
25. Clause 115, page 120, after line 6 insert—
- "(3A) The responsible authority must give the applicant notice of an amendment under subsection (2)(b) that includes—
- (a) the reasons for the amendment in application type; and
- (b) the new application type to apply to the application.".
26. Clause 115, page 120, line 8, after "the applicant" insert "or amend the application".
27. Clause 155, lines 10 to 12, omit "in section 216(1) of the **Electoral Act 2002** and indexed annually in accordance with the formula in section 217Q of that Act" and insert "under section 128(4) of the **Local Government Act 2020**".
28. Part heading preceding clause 232, omit "**Transitional**" and insert "**General and transitional**".

NEW CLAUSE

29. Insert the following New Clause before clause 232—
- '231A New sections 152A to 152C inserted**
- After section 152 of the Principal Act **insert—**
- "152A Planning Regulations Advisory Committee**
- A committee named the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee is established.
- 152B Purpose and functions of Planning Regulations Advisory Committee**
- (1) The purpose of the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee is to oversee the continuous review and improvement of the Victoria Planning

Provisions and other subordinate instruments and to maintain a structured approach to planning system user feedback and engagement.

(2) The Planning Regulations Advisory Committee has the following functions—

- (a) to oversee the establishment and monitoring of a framework for measuring the performance of the Victorian planning system and decisions made under it;
- (b) to oversee the establishment and monitoring of a program for obtaining planning system user feedback about the operation of the Victorian planning system, so that—
 - (i) opportunities for improvement can be identified and pursued; and
 - (ii) emerging issues requiring attention can be identified;
- (c) to advise the Minister on the strategy for reviewing the Victoria Planning Provisions;
- (d) to advise the Minister on the efficiency and effectiveness of proposals to amend the Victoria Planning Provisions;
- (e) to advise the Minister on the administration of this Act and the regulations;
- (f) to advise the Minister on any matter referred to the Committee by the Minister.

(3) In addition to subsection (2), the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee has the following functions—

- (a) to advise the Minister on any new subordinate instruments, or any amendments to subordinate instruments, that will be needed to implement the amendments made by the **Planning Amendment (Better Decisions Made Faster) Act 2025**;
- (b) to advise the Minister on a program of consultation in relation to subordinate instruments and amendments referred to in paragraph (a);
- (c) to advise the Minister on options to develop a single system for permit applications in Victoria.

(4) In performing its functions, the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee must comply with any reasonable procedures and protocols specified by the Secretary to the Department.

(5) The Secretary to the Department must ensure that the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee has the administrative support it needs to perform its functions.

152C Membership and procedure of Planning Regulations Advisory Committee

(1) The Planning Regulations Advisory Committee consists of 10 members appointed by the Secretary to the Department, of whom—

- (a) 4 are to be persons employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004** in the Department; and
 - (b) 4 are to be nominated by the Municipal Association of Victoria from among persons employed in municipal councils in Victoria; and
 - (c) 2 are to be nominated by the Planning Institute of Australia (Victoria) from among its members who are neither employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004** in the Department nor employed in a municipal council in Victoria.
- (2) The Secretary to the Department must appoint one of the members as chairperson.
 - (3) If there is a vacancy in the members referred to in subsection (1)(b) or (c), the Secretary to the Department must request the Municipal Association of Victoria or the Planning Institute of Australia (Victoria) (as the case requires) to nominate a person to fill the vacancy.
 - (4) If the Municipal Association of Victoria or the Planning Institute of Australia (Victoria) does not nominate a person on request under subsection (3) within a reasonable time, the Secretary may appoint a person who is eligible for nomination under subsection (1)(b) or (c) (as the case requires) to fill the vacancy.
 - (5) A quorum for a meeting of the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee is half the members of the Committee for the time being.
 - (6) Subject to subsection (5) and section 152B(4), the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee may regulate its own procedure.
 - (7) Nothing in section 151 or 152 applies to or in relation to the Planning Regulations Advisory Committee.".'.
- 30. Clause 232, page 216, lines 1 to 7, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
 - 31. Part heading preceding clause 233, omit this heading.
 - 32. Clause 233, omit this clause.
 - 33. Clause 234, omit this clause.
 - 34. Clause 235, omit this clause.
 - 35. Division heading preceding clause 249, omit this heading.
 - 36. Clause 249, omit this clause.
 - 37. Division heading preceding clause 255, omit this heading.
 - 38. Clause 255, omit this clause.
 - 39. Clause 256, lines 8 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
 - 40. Clause 257, lines 16 to 18, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
 - 41. Clause 258, lines 23 to 25, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
 - 42. Clause 259, lines 31 and 32, omit all words and expressions on these lines.

43. Clause 261, line 9, omit '1AA";' and insert '1AA".'
44. Clause 261, lines 10 and 11, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
45. Clauses 262, lines 18 and 19, omit all words and expressions on these lines.

Amendments circulated by Sarah Mansfield (SM53C) in substitution for amendments previously circulated

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 - "(1) This Part and section 11(2) and (3) come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
 - (1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."
2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".
3. Clause 5, line 26, after "ecological" insert "processes, and ecological".
4. Clause 9, omit this clause.
5. Clause 11, line 20, before "After" insert "(1)".
6. Clause 11, after line 22, insert—
 - '(2) After section 6(2)(j) of the Principal Act **insert**—
 - "(ja) provide that any use or development of land is conditional on the provision of an affordable housing contribution;"
 - (3) After section 6(2) of the Principal Act **insert**—
 - "(2AA) For the purposes of section 6(2)(ja), an affordable housing contribution may be imposed as a condition on a permit if—
 - (a) the relevant planning scheme identifies a need for affordable housing in the area; and
 - (b) the application exceeds a threshold prescribed in the regulations that is expressed in terms of number of dwellings or value of development.
 - (2AAB) An affordable housing contribution is to be in the prescribed form, including a monetary contribution in lieu of the provision of affordable housing.
 - (2AAC) The regulations may prescribe the maximum affordable housing contributions that can be required under a planning scheme, including the application of differing maximums by reference to different zones and overlays.
 - (2AAD) If a monetary contribution is made to acquit a requirement specified in a planning scheme for the provision of an affordable housing contribution, the monetary contribution must be collected by the responsible authority for the proposed use or development of land.

(2AAE) Despite anything to the contrary in any other Act (other than the **Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006**), any monetary contribution collected by a responsible authority under subsection (2AAD) must be spent on a project to construct new affordable housing in the municipal district in which it is collected.

(2AAF) A responsible authority must keep proper and separate accounts and records of any monetary contribution collected under subsection (2AAD) and how that monetary contribution was spent on the provision of affordable housing in the municipal district.

(2AAG) The accounts and records required under subsection (2AAF) must be kept in accordance with the **Local Government Act 2020**."

7. Clause 39, omit this clause.
8. Clause 48, omit this clause.
9. Clause 49, omit this clause.
10. Clause 86, line 14, before "A planning scheme" insert "(1)".
11. Clause 86, after line 16 insert—

"(2) A responsible authority must give notice of a specified type 2 application in compliance with this Division."
12. Clause 86, page 89, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
13. Clause 86, page 89, line 16, omit "50D" and insert "50B(2)".
14. Clause 86, page 89, line 22, omit "50D(1)" and insert "50B(2)".
15. Clause 86, page 89, line 30, omit "50D(1)" and insert "50B(2)".
16. Clause 86, page 90, line 11, omit "50D" and insert "50B(2)".
17. Clause 102, line 4, omit "50D(1)" and insert "50B(2)".
18. Clause 102, line 19, omit "50D(1)" and insert "50B(2)".
19. Clause 145, page 140, line 32, omit "50D" and insert "50B(2)".
20. Clause 232, page 216, lines 1 to 7, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
21. Part heading preceding clause 233, omit this heading.
22. Clause 233, omit this clause.
23. Clause 234, omit this clause.
24. Clause 235, omit this clause.
25. Division heading preceding clause 249, omit this heading.
26. Clause 249, omit this clause.
27. Division heading preceding clause 255, omit this heading.

28. Clause 255, omit this clause.
29. Clause 256, lines 8 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
30. Clause 257, lines 16 to 18, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
31. Clause 258, lines 23 to 25, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
32. Clause 259, lines 31 and 32, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
33. Clause 261, line 9, omit '1AA";' and insert '1AA".'
34. Clause 261, lines 10 and 11, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
35. Clause 262, lines 18 and 19, omit all words and expressions on these lines.

Amendments circulated for Clause 2 options (six scenarios)

Scenario 1

1. Test Ettershank group Q, incorporating consequential Mansfield amendments:

Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 1 as follows —

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 - "(1) This Part and sections 7(1), 10, 11(2) and 11(3) come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
 - (1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."
2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

If agreed to, no further amendment to clause 2 required.

2. If defeated: *Dr Mansfield to move amendments 1 & 2 as drafted —*

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 - "(1) This Part and sections 11(2) and 11(3) come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.
 - (1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."
2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

No further amendment to clause 2 required.

Scenario 2

1. Test Ettershank group Q:

Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 2 as follows —

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 - "(1) This Part and sections 7(1) and 10 come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

No further amendment to clause 2 required.

Scenario 3

1. Test Ettershank group Q, incorporating consequential Ettershank amendments:

Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 as drafted —

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and sections 7(1), 10, 11(2) and 231A come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

If agreed to, no further amendment to clause 2 required.

2. If defeated: *Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 3 as follows —*

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and sections 11(2) and 231A come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

No further amendment to clause 2 required.

Scenario 4

1. Test Ettershank group Q, incorporating consequential Mansfield and Ettershank amendments:

Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 4 as follows —

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and sections 7(1), 10, 11(2), 11(3) and 231A come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

If agreed to, no further amendment to clause 2 required.

2. If defeated: *Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 5 as follows —*

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and sections 11(2), 11(3) and 231A come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

No further amendment to clause 2 required.

Scenario 5

1. Test Ettershank group Q, incorporating consequential Ettershank amendments:

Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 6 as follows —

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and sections 7(1), 10 and 231A come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

If agreed to, no further amendment to clause 2 required.

2. If defeated: *Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 7 as follows —*

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and section 231A comes into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

No further amendment to clause 2 required.

Scenario 6

1. Test Ettershank group Q, incorporating consequential Ettershank amendments:

Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 8 as follows —

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and sections 7(1), 10 and 11(2) come into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

If agreed to, no further amendment to clause 2 required.

2. If defeated: *Mr Ettershank to move amendments 1 & 2 in amended form 9 as follows —*

1. Clause 2, lines 2 and 3, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) This Part and section 11(2) comes into operation on the day after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(1A) The remaining provisions of this Act come into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed."

2. Clause 2, line 4, omit "of this Act" and insert "referred to in subsection (1A)".

No further amendment to clause 2 required.

2. LABOUR HIRE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (LICENSING) BILL 2025

Amendments circulated by Richard Welch (RW04C)

NEW CLAUSE

1. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 3—

'3A New section 3A inserted

After section 3 of the **Labour Hire Licensing Act 2018** insert—

"3A Interpretation—subcontracting

To avoid doubt, nothing in this Act is intended to apply to a genuine subcontracting arrangement the character of which is not the supply of labour or the placement of a person to perform labour.".'

NEW CLAUSE

2. Insert the following New Clause before clause 4—

'3B New section 3B inserted

Before section 4 of the **Labour Hire Licensing Act 2018** insert—

"3B Authorised administrative users

A nominated officer of a licence holder may authorise a person employed or engaged by the licence holder to submit forms and documents to the Authority on behalf of the licence holder.".'

3. Clause 4, omit this clause.
4. Clause 5, omit this clause.
5. Clause 6, omit this clause.
6. Clause 9, omit this clause.
7. Clause 10, lines 5 to 34, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"(1) A person is not a fit and proper person if—

- (a) the person has (within the preceding 10 years) engaged in, directed, encouraged or materially benefited from intimidation, coercion, extortion or other unlawful conduct carried out in connection with obtaining, supplying or controlling labour in the construction, contracting or labour hire sectors; or

(b) the person has (within the preceding 10 years) been the subject of an adverse finding by—

- (i) a court, regulator or law enforcement agency; or
- (ii) an anti-corruption authority or taskforce; or
- (iii) the Australian Building and Construction Commission; or
- (iv) Fair Work Australia or the Fair Work Ombudsman; or
- (v) a royal commission—

that relates to—

- (vii) intimidation, coercion, violence, corruption, or unlawful industrial conduct; or
- (viii) criminal infiltration of the construction, contracting or labour hire sector; or

(c) the person—

- (i) acts under the direction of or is significantly influenced by; or
- (ii) has (within the preceding 3 years) received payments, goods, services or other benefits from—

another person who or body that—

- (iii) operates in the construction, contracting, civil works or labour hire sectors; and
- (iv) has a history of engaging in intimidation, coercion, extortion or other unlawful conduct; or

(d) the person has (within the preceding 10 years) acted in concert with, or for the benefit of, a person who or body that—

- (i) is operating in the construction, contracting or labour-hire sectors; and
- (ii) has been publicly identified by a law enforcement agency as being associated with coercion, extortion, serious violence, unlawful industrial conduct or other unlawful activity; or

(e) the person or a body corporate of which the person was an officer has (within the preceding 10 years)—

- (i) been found by a court, tribunal or regulator to have contravened a workplace law, a labour hire industry law or a minimum accommodation standard; or
- (ii) been entered into an enforceable undertaking (however described) in respect of an alleged contravention of a workplace law, a labour hire industry law or a minimum accommodation standard; or

(f) the person is a member or an affiliate of a Part 5C organisation.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the Authority may have regard to—

- (a) findings, intelligence assessments or public statements of—
 - (i) Victoria Police; or
 - (ii) the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission; or
 - (iii) a prescribed law-enforcement body; and
 - (b) any other matter that the Authority considers relevant."
- 8. Clause 10, page 9, lines 1 to 32, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
- 9. Clause 10, page 10, lines 1 to 7, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
- 10. Clause 11, lines 24 to 26, omit "has complied, is complying and will continue to comply" and insert "has not in the previous 5 years materially failed to comply, is complying and has systems in place to support continued compliance".
- 11. Clause 11, after line 28 insert—
 - "(1AA) In addition, an application must also include a declaration that the applicant undertakes to take all reasonable steps and precautions to ensure that any individual supplied for labour is of good character and not a member or an affiliate of a Part 5C organisation within the meaning of the **Criminal Organisations Control Act 2012**."
- 12. Clause 12, lines 6 and 7, omit "has complied, is complying and will continue to comply" and insert "has not in the previous 5 years materially failed to comply, is complying and has systems in place to support continued compliance".
- 13. Clause 14, lines 21 and 22, omit "has complied, is complying and will continue to comply" and insert "has not in the previous 5 years materially failed to comply, is complying and has systems in place to support continued compliance".
- 14. Clause 16, lines 13 to 16, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
- 15. Clause 17, lines 27 and 28, omit "has complied, is complying and will continue to comply" and insert "has not in the previous 5 years materially failed to comply, is complying and has systems in place to support continued compliance".
- 16. Clause 18, lines 5 and 6, omit "has complied, is complying and will continue to comply" and insert "has not in the previous 5 years materially failed to comply, is complying and has systems in place to support continued compliance".
- 17. Clause 19, lines 13 and 14, omit "has complied, is complying and will continue to comply" and insert "has not in the previous 5 years materially failed to comply, is complying and has systems in place to support continued compliance".
- 18. Clause 20, page 16, lines 4 and 5, omit ", or is considering whether to exercise,".

NEW CLAUSE

- 19. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 28—

'28A Review of Act

After section 113(3) of the **Labour Hire Licensing Act 2018** insert—

- "(4) The Minister must review the operation of the amendments made by the **Labour Hire Legislation Amendment (Licensing) Act 2025** to determine whether the policy objectives of the Act remain valid and whether the terms of the Act remain appropriate for securing those objectives.
- (5) The review is to be undertaken as soon as possible after the period of 2 years after the day on which **Labour Hire Legislation Amendment (Licensing) Act 2025** receives the Royal Assent.
- (6) The Minister must cause a report on the outcome of the review to be laid before each House of Parliament as soon as practicable after the review is completed.".'.

Amendment circulated by Richard Welch (RW05C)

1. Clause 10, omit this clause.

Amendments circulated by Richard Welch (RW09C)

1. Clause 4, page 4, lines 13 to 16, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
2. Clause 5, page 6, lines 18 to 21, omit all words and expressions on these lines.
3. Clause 10, page 10, before line 5 insert—

"(1A) A person who is a member or an affiliate of a Part 5C organisation is not a fit and proper person."