

Planning and Environment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 states the purpose of the Act.

Clause 2 provides for commencement.

Clause 3 inserts a provision into the Act which allows a planning scheme to require that specified information be provided with an application for a permit.

Clause 4 removes redundant provisions in the Act relating to regional planning authorities.

Clause 5 substitutes provisions of the Act relating to the ability of a responsible authority to consider strategic plans and policy statements, as well as adopted amendments to the planning scheme, when deciding an application for a permit.

Clause 6 inserts a provision into the Act setting a new criteria under which the Minister may direct a responsible authority to refer an application for a permit to the Minister for the Minister's decision.

Clause 7 amends section 149A of the Act so that the Tribunal can arbitrate on a dispute about a requirement, in an enforcement order, that something be done to the satisfaction of the responsible authority or other bodies.

Clause 8 amends section 156 of the Act so that a planning authority or person requesting an amendment pays panel fees or allowances unless the Minister otherwise directs.

Clause 9 changes relevant provisions in the Act so an agreement affecting part of any land may be ended and so that the Registrar has clear authority to cancel registration of an agreement affecting part of any land.

Clause 10 amends section 188 of the Act so that a responsible authority may delegate to its staff the power to enter certain agreements under the Act.

Clause 11 provides for Statute law revision in relation to amending references to the Department and Secretary, and repealing redundant section 86 of the Act.

