House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 30 July 2019

End of Life Choice Bill

Proposed amendment

Chris Penk, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

Clause 2

In clause 2, replace "12 months" (page 2, line 5) with "3 years".

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the End of Life Choice Bill to provide a sufficiently lengthy period of time between the passage of the Act and its effective date to enable various entities to prepare themselves. In particular:

- organisations currently involved in providing actual health care (as distinct from assisted suicide and/or euthanasia) will require time to obtain legal advice regarding their obligations under this legislation; and
- medical professionals unwilling to remain in a profession whose mandate will
 include the intentional causing of death will have a reasonable opportunity to
 train in another field and make that employment transition.