**Legislative Council**

**GREAT OCEAN ROAD AND ENVIRONS PROTECTION BILL 2019**

(Amendment and New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr MEDDICK)

1. Clause 3, page 7, after line 3 insert—

"***Bells Beach Subcommittee*** means a subcommittee appointed under section 49A;

***Bells Beach Surfing Recreational Reserve*** means the coastal land between the Southside Car Park and Wave Car Park, including coastal land either side of Bells Beach Road;".

NEW CLAUSE

1. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 49—

"49A Bells Beach Subcommittee

(1) Despite anything in this Act, the Authority must appoint a subcommittee in respect of the Bells Beach Surfing Recreational Reserve.

(2) The function of the Bells Beach Subcommittee is to provide planning advice to the Authority.

(3) The Bells Beach Subcommittee consists of 10 members including—

(a) 5 surfers who have no financial or vested interests regarding the Bells Beach Surfing Recreational Reserve, one of whom has knowledge of the environment or of biodiversity; and

(b) one non-surfer to represent the general community of users of the Reserve; and

(c) one Aboriginal person; and

(d) one representative of Surfing Victoria; and

(e) two other members that the Subcommittee considers are suitable, which may include one representative of the Authority.

(4) The Minister and each responsible entity must consider any advice provided by the Bells Beach Subcommittee in the performance of their functions or exercise of their powers under this Act.

(5) If the Minister or a responsible entity disregards the advice of the Bells Beach Subcommittee, the reasons for doing so must be published on the Internet site of the Department or the responsible entity.".