

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING AMENDMENT (QUARANTINE FEES) BILL
2020

(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr O'DONOHUE)

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

"(1A) Regulations made under subsection (1)(a) must include the following circumstances as circumstances that COVID-19 Quarantine Victoria must have regard to in making a decision under section 259 in relation to a quarantined person who is an adult—

(a) whether the person is an Australian citizen or permanent resident within the meaning of the Australian Citizenship Act 2017 of the Commonwealth; and

(b) whether the person—

(i) has a weekly income (from all sources) at the time the person makes an application under section 259 of not more than \$1,903 per week before tax; or

(ii) is part of a couple who are both quarantined persons and the weekly income of the couple (from all sources) at the time an application for the couple is made under section 259 is not more than \$1,903 per week before tax; and

(c) whether the person—

(i) has not more than \$10 000 in cash or in savings deposited with an ADI (excluding term deposits) at the time the person makes an application under section 259; or

(ii) is part of a couple who are both quarantined persons and the couple has not more than \$10 000 (in total) in cash or in savings deposited with an ADI (excluding term deposits) at the time an application for the couple is made under section 259; and

(d) whether the person—

(i) lost their employment on or after 16 March 2020 and was not employed at any time before they departed for Australia; or

(ii) was employed during the applicable period and their weekly working hours or weekly wage or salary, at the end of that period, was, as the case requires—

(A) 20% less than their weekly working hours than at the start of that period; or

(B) 20% less than their weekly wage or salary than at the start of that period; or

- (iii) was a sole trader whose business was suspended on or after 16 March 2020 and did not restart before the person departed for Australia; or
- (iv) carried on business as a sole trader during the applicable period and the business's turnover at the end of that period was 20% less than at the start of that period."

2. Clause 3, page 4, after line 5 insert—

"applicable period means the period—

(a) commencing on 16 March 2020; and

(b) ending on—

(i) in the case of a quarantined person employed as at that commencement, the day on which the person ceases employment for the purpose of departing for Australia; and

(ii) in the case of a quarantined person carrying on business as a sole trader as at that commencement, the day on which the person ceases carrying on that business for the purpose of departing for Australia;".

3. Clause 3, page 4, after line 7 insert—

"quarantined person has the same meaning as in Part 14;".