

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

VICTORIAN EARLY CHILDHOOD REGULATORY AUTHORITY BILL 2025

(Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by ANASINA GRAY-BARBERIO)

1. Clause 3, page 4, after line 26 insert—

***"Integrity and Oversight Committee* means the Integrity and Oversight Committee established by section 5(a) of the **Parliamentary Committees Act 2003**;"**
2. Clause 10, line 18, omit "The Governor in Council," and insert "Subject to section 10A, the Governor in Council,".

NEW CLAUSE

3. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 10—

"10A Veto of proposed Early Childhood Regulator

 - (1) The Minister must not make a recommendation under section 10 unless—
 - (a) the Minister has submitted details of the proposed recommendation to the Integrity and Oversight Committee; and
 - (b) either—
 - (i) within the time specified in subsection (2) the Integrity and Oversight Committee has informed the Minister that it has decided not to veto the recommendation; or
 - (ii) the time specified in subsection (2) has elapsed and the Integrity and Oversight Committee has not vetoed the recommendation.
 - (2) The Integrity and Oversight Committee must make a decision under this section within 30 days after the Minister has submitted details of the proposed recommendation to the Integrity and Oversight Committee.
 - (3) The Integrity and Oversight Committee—
 - (a) may decide to veto or not to veto the proposed recommendation;
 - (b) must notify the Minister in writing of its decision within the period specified in subsection (2)."
4. Clause 13, after line 29 insert—

"(da) the Integrity and Oversight Committee has decided that the Regulator is unfit to continue to hold office;"
5. Clause 13, after line 33 insert—

- "(3) The Minister must make a recommendation under subsection (2)(da) if the Integrity and Oversight Committee—
- (a) has decided that the Early Childhood Regulator is unfit to continue to hold office; and
 - (b) has notified the Minister in writing of its decision."

NEW CLAUSES

6. Insert the following New Division after Division 2 of Part 6—

'Division 2A—Parliamentary Committees Act 2003

58A Definitions

In section 3 of the **Parliamentary Committees Act 2003**, insert the following definition—

"Early Childhood Regulator has the same meaning as it has in section 3 of the **Victorian Early Childhood Regulatory Authority Bill 2025**;"

58B Integrity and Oversight Committee

In section 7(1) of the **Parliamentary Committees Act 2003**—

- (a) after paragraph (md) **insert**—

"(me) to consider any proposed appointment of an Early Childhood Regulator under section 10 of the **Victorian Early Childhood Regulatory Authority Bill 2025** and to exercise a power of veto in accordance with that Act; and";

- (b) in paragraph (n)(v), omit "**2024**." and insert "**2024**";

- (c) after paragraph (n)(v) **insert**—

"(vi) the **Victorian Early Childhood Regulatory Authority Act 2025**.".