

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## MULTICULTURAL VICTORIA AMENDMENT BILL 2026

(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by MOIRA DEEMING)

1. Clause 6, lines 29 to 33, page 6, lines 1 to 33 and page 7, lines 1 to 10, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
  - '(1) In section 4(2) of the Principal Act **omit** "and values the richness that such diversity brings to the Victorian community".
  - (2) For section 4(3) of the Principal Act **substitute**—
    - "(3) The Parliament supports the rights and responsibilities of citizenship to which subsection (1) refers by recognising the following principles—
      - (a) all persons are equal before the law and are entitled to the equal protection of the law without discrimination or preference on the ground of race, culture, religion, ethnicity or national origin;
      - (b) a public authority must treat all persons equally and must not prefer, advantage or disadvantage any person or group on the ground of race, culture, religion, ethnicity or national origin;
      - (c) all individuals in Victoria are entitled to mutual respect and understanding regardless of their background;
      - (d) all individuals in Victoria have a responsibility to abide by the State's laws and respect the democratic processes under which those laws are made;
      - (e) all individuals in Victoria should be united in a shared commitment to Australia and to community service."
  - (3) Section 4(4) of the Principal Act is **repealed**.
  - (4) In section 4(5) of the Principal Act **omit** "of multiculturalism".