

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

RENEWABLE ENERGY (JOBS AND INVESTMENT) BILL 2017

(Amendments and New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Ms DUNN)

1. Clause 3, after line 8 insert—

"*biomass* means organic matter other than fossilised biomass;

Note

Fossilised biomass includes coal and lignite."

2. Clause 3, after line 11 insert—

"*native forest* means a local indigenous plant community—

- (a) the dominant species of which are trees; and
- (b) containing throughout its growth the complement of native species and habitats normally associated with that forest type or having the potential to develop those characteristics; and
- (c) including a forest with those characteristics that has been regenerated with human assistance following disturbance; and
- (d) excluding a plantation of native species or previously logged native forest that has been regenerated with non-endemic native species;"

3. Clause 3, lines 12 to 17, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—

"*renewable energy source* has the meaning given by section 4;"

NEW CLAUSE

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

"A What is a *renewable energy source*?

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), a ***renewable energy source*** is any of the following energy sources—
 - (a) hydro;
 - (b) wave;
 - (c) tide;
 - (d) ocean;
 - (e) wind;
 - (f) solar;
 - (g) geothermal aquifer;
 - (h) hot dry rock;

- (i) energy crops;
 - (j) agricultural waste;
 - (k) waste from processing of agricultural products;
 - (l) food waste;
 - (m) food processing waste;
 - (n) bagasse;
 - (o) black liquor;
 - (p) biomass based components of municipal solid waste;
 - (q) landfill gas;
 - (r) sewage gas and biomass based components of sewage;
 - (s) an energy source declared by the Minister under subsection (3).
- (2) None of the following energy sources is a *renewable energy source*—
- (a) native forest biomass;
 - (b) fossil fuels;
 - (c) materials or waste products derived from fossil fuels;
 - (d) a prescribed energy source.
- (3) The Minister, by notice published in the Government Gazette, may declare an energy source to be a renewable energy source for the purposes of this Act."

5. Clause 4, omit this clause.