

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2019

(Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr BOURMAN)

1. Clause 1, page 2, lines 30 to 35, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert—
 - "(e) to amend the **Game Management Authority Act 2014**—
 - (i) to make amendments to the objectives and functions of the Authority in relation to game hunting; and
 - (ii) to make minor amendments to improve the governance arrangements in that Act; and
 - (iii) to allow authorised officers to enforce related offences under other Acts; and
 - (iv) to make other miscellaneous amendments to that Act; and".

NEW CLAUSES

2. Insert the following New Clauses to follow clause 40—

'40A Objectives of the Authority

For section 5(b) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** substitute—

- "(b) to optimise the social, cultural and economic benefits of game hunting; and
- (c) to support the development of recreational game hunting; and
- (d) to support the development of commercial game hunting; and
- (e) to work cooperatively with game hunting bodies in other States, Territories and the Commonwealth; and
- (f) to perform its functions and exercise its powers in any manner it considers best achieves its objectives."

40B Functions

- (1) For section 6(a) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** substitute—

"(a) to inform and educate game hunters and the public about rights and obligations in relation to game hunting; and".

- (2) For section 6(c) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** substitute—

"(c) to monitor, investigate, enforce and promote compliance with this Act and other Acts and the regulations made under those Acts in so far as they relate to game hunting; and".

(3) In section 6(g) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014**, after "in" **insert** "relation to recreational and commercial".

(4) In section 6(i)(iv) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014**, for "habitat." **substitute** "habitat; and".

(5) After section 6(i) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** **insert**—

"(j) to provide advice to the Minister or Secretary to assist in the development of strategic policy or legislation in relation to the development or management of game hunting and game management in Victoria; and

(k) to administer grants approved by the Minister in relation to game and game hunting.".

40C Exercise of powers

For section 8(2) of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** **substitute**—

"(2) If the Authority is given a written direction under subsection (1), the Authority must publish the direction—

(a) in the Government Gazette within 14 days of receiving the direction; and

(b) in its annual report; and

(c) on its Internet site.".