LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

LEGAL PROFESSION UNIFORM LAW APPLICATION AMENDMENT BILL 2015

(New Clause to be moved by Mr Pakula)

NEW CLAUSE

After clause 4 insert-

"AA New section 9A inserted

After section 9 of the Principal Act insert—

'9A Meaning of law firm

 The Legal Profession Uniform Law (Victoria) applies as if for the definition of *law firm* in section 6(1) there were substituted—

"*law firm* means a partnership consisting only of—

- (a) Australian legal practitioners; or
- (b) one or more Australian legal practitioners and one or more Australian-registered foreign lawyers; or
- (c) incorporated legal practices; or
- (d) one or more incorporated legal practices and one or more Australian legal practitioners; or
- (e) one or more incorporated legal practices and one or more Australian-registered foreign lawyers; or
- (f) one or more incorporated legal practices, one or more Australian legal practitioners and one or more Australian-registered foreign lawyers;".
- (2) For the purposes of this Act and the Legal Profession Uniform Law (Victoria), a principal of a law practice that is referred to in paragraph (c) to (f) of the definition of *law firm* in subsection (1) includes an Australian legal practitioner who is a principal of an incorporated legal practice that forms part of the partnership.'.".