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South Australia

# **Coroners (Reportable Death) Amendment Bill 2010**

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Coroners Act 2003.

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## The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

## Part 1—Preliminary

#### 1—Short title

This Act may be cited as the Coroners (Reportable Death) Amendment Act 2010.

## 2—Amendment provisions

In this Act, a provision under a heading referring to the amendment of a specified Act amends the Act so specified.

## Part 2—Amendment of Coroners Act 2003

## 3—Amendment of section 3—Interpretation

(1) Section 3—after the definition of *Coroner's Court* or *Court* insert:

corresponding authorisation, in relation to the body of a dead person, means an authorisation under a corresponding law by a coroner (within the meaning of that corresponding law) that corresponds to an authorisation—

- (a) for the release of the body of the dead person from the control of the coroner; or
- (b) for the disposal of human remains in respect of the body of the dead person;

## corresponding law means—

- (a) the *Coroners Act 1997* (Australian Capital Territory);
- (b) the Coroners Act 2009 (New South Wales);
- (c) the *Coroners Act* (Northern Territory);
- (d) the Coroners Act 2003 (Queensland);
- (e) the Coroners Act 1995 (Tasmania);
- (f) the Coroners Act 2008 (Victoria);
- (g) the Coroners Act 1996 (Western Australia);

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(2) Section 3, definition of *reportable death*—after "State death" insert:

(other than a State death to which subsection (2) applies)

- (3) Section 3—after its current contents as amended by this section (now to be designated as subsection (1)) insert:
  - (2) For the purposes of this Act, the death of a person who is, at the time of death, ordinarily a resident of the State is not reportable if—
    - (a) the person dies outside of the State; and
    - (b) a coroner under a corresponding law has issued a corresponding authorisation in respect of the body of the dead person.

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