

House of Assembly—No 50

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South Australia

**Electoral (House of Assembly Casual Vacancies)
Amendment Bill 2014**

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Electoral Act 1985*; and to make a related amendment to the *Constitution Act 1934*.

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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 *Electoral (House of Assembly Casual Vacancies) Amendment Act 2014*.

5 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 *Electoral Act 1985*

3—Amendment of section 47—Issue of writ

- 10 (1) Section 47(2)—delete "Speaker of the House of Assembly" and substitute:

Electoral Commissioner

- (2) Section 47—after subsection (2) insert:

(2aaa) If the Electoral Commissioner—

- 15 (a) has been given notice of a casual vacancy in the membership of the House of Assembly but has not issued a writ for a by-election for the purposes of subsection (2) in relation to the vacancy; and

- 20 (b) is given notice of 1 or more further casual vacancies, the Electoral Commissioner must fix in the writ for each by-election the same day for the polling, unless the Electoral Commissioner considers that there is good reason not to do so.

