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South Australia

**Health Care (Health Advisory Councils)
Amendment Bill 2008**

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Health Care Act 2008*.

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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 *Health Care (Health Advisory Councils) Amendment Act 2008*.

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 *Health Care Act 2008*

3—Amendment of section 18—Functions

10 Section 18—after subsection (3) insert:

- 15 (4) Without limiting subsection (1)(b) and despite subsection (2), an incorporated HAC established in relation to the provision of health services at a particular site of a hospital is entitled, without limitation, to provide advice to the Minister or the Department about the provision of health services at that site.
- 20 (5) Where an incorporated HAC has been established in relation to the provision of health services at a particular site of a hospital, steps must not be taken to give effect to a significant change in the level of health services provided at that site in 1 or more areas of health care unless the HAC has given its consent for the steps being taken.
- (6) Where an incorporated HAC has been established in relation to a designated entity, the HAC is entitled to receive monthly financial statements for the designated entity within 21 days after the end of each month.

(7) In subsection (6)—

designated entity means—

- (a) a hospital or, in a case involving a HAC established in relation to the provision of health services at a particular site of a hospital, the undertaking at that site; or
- (b) SAAS; or
- (c) any other body involved in the delivery of health services in connection with this Act.

4—Amendment of section 19—Specific provisions in relation to powers

Section 19—after subsection (5) insert:

- (5a) The Minister may not place a monetary limit on the expenditure of a HAC that is incorporated under this Act.