

House of Assembly—No 267

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South Australia

Public Finance and Audit (Auditor-General's Reports) Amendment Bill 2017

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*.

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The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

5 This Act may be cited as the *Public Finance and Audit (Auditor-General's Reports) Amendment Act 2017*.

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 *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*

3—Amendment of section 36—Auditor-General's annual report etc

- 10 (1) Section 36(2)—delete "not later than the prescribed date" and substitute:

within 100 days after the end of the financial year

- (2) Section 36(3)—delete "a supplementary report (and annex documents to it) relating to a matter required to be dealt with in an annual report and deliver the" and substitute:

15 other reports (and annex documents to them) relating to matters required to be dealt with in an annual report and deliver each such

- (3) Section 36—after subsection (3) insert:

- 20 (4) If the President of the Legislative Council or the Speaker of the House of Assembly is absent at the time the Auditor-General delivers to the Parliament a report under this section, the Clerk of the relevant House will receive the report on behalf of the President or the Speaker (as the case may be) and the report will then be taken to have been delivered to the President or the Speaker.

**4—Amendment of section 38—Reports and other documents to be tabled
before Parliament and published**

- (1) Section 38—delete "receiving a report and other documents from the Auditor-General" and substitute:

5 a report and other documents have been delivered (or are taken to have been delivered) to the President or the Speaker by the Auditor-General

- (2) Section 38—after its present contents as amended by this clause (now to be designated as subsection (1)) insert:

10 (2) Subject to subsection (3), the Auditor-General may, after a report has been delivered (or is taken to have been delivered) to the President of the Legislative Council and the Speaker of the House of Assembly under this Part, publish the report and any documents annexed to the report on a website determined by the Auditor-General or in such other manner as the Auditor-General thinks fit.

15 (3) If the day immediately following the day on which the report is delivered (or is taken to have been delivered) is a sitting day for either House of the Parliament, the Auditor-General must not publish the report and other documents in accordance with subsection (2) until the report has been laid before a House of the Parliament.