

**Legislative Council—No 148**

As introduced and read a first time, 6 March 2024

South Australia

**Electoral (Prohibition of Canvassing Near Polling Booths) Amendment Bill 2024**

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Electoral Act 1985*.

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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 *Electoral (Prohibition of Canvassing Near Polling Booths) Amendment Act 2024*.

## Part 2—Amendment of *Electoral Act 1985*

### 2—Amendment of section 125—Prohibition of canvassing near polling booths

(1) Section 125—after subsection (1) insert:

10 (1aa) Without limiting subsection (1), when a polling booth is open for polling, a person must not—

(a) at the polling place for which the polling booth is established; or

(b) in any place within 100 metres of an entrance to the polling booth,

15 canvass for votes (including by distributing how-to-vote cards), solicit the vote of an elector or induce a person not to vote for a candidate or at the election.

Maximum penalty: \$5 000.

(2) Section 125(2)(b)—after "subsections (1)" insert:

20 , (1aa)

(3) Section 125(3)—after "subsections (1)" insert:

, (1aa)