

House of Assembly—No 116

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South Australia

**Parliamentary Committees (Aboriginal Affairs
Committee) Amendment Bill 2024**

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Parliamentary Committees Act 1991* and to make a related amendment to the *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990*.

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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 *Parliamentary Committees (Aboriginal Affairs Committee) Amendment Act 2024*.

Part 2—Amendment of *Parliamentary Committees Act 1991*

2—Insertion of Part 5F

After section 15O insert:

Part 5F—Aboriginal Affairs Committee

Division 1—Establishment and membership of Committee

15P—Establishment of Committee

The *Aboriginal Affairs Committee* is established as a committee of the Parliament.

15Q—Membership of Committee

(1) The Committee consists of 6 members, of whom—

(a) 3 must be members appointed by the House of Assembly, of whom—

(i) 2 must be members nominated by the Minister; and

- (ii) 1 must be a member nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Assembly; and
- (b) 3 must be members appointed by the Legislative Council, of whom—
- (i) 1 must be a member nominated by the Minister; and
- (ii) 1 must be a member nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council; and
- (iii) 1 must be a member who is neither a member of the Government nor of the Opposition, or, if no such member exists, a member nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council.
- (2) A Minister of the Crown is not eligible for appointment to the Committee.

Division 2—Functions of Committee

15R—Functions of Committee

The functions of the Committee are—

- (a) to review the operation of the *Aboriginal Lands Trust Act 2013*, the *Maralinga Tjarutja Land Rights Act 1984* and the *Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act 1981*; and
- (b) to inquire into matters affecting Indigenous Australians (including, but not limited to, the traditional owners of the lands to which the Acts contemplated by paragraph (a) relate); and
- (c) to consider any other matter referred to the Committee by the Minister; and
- (d) to perform any other functions imposed on the Committee under this or any other Act or by resolution of both Houses of Parliament.

Schedule 1—Related amendment of *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990*

1—Amendment of Schedule—Offices attracting additional salary

Schedule, table, entry relating to the Presiding Member of the Aboriginal Lands Parliamentary Standing Committee—delete "Lands Parliamentary Standing" and substitute:

Affairs