Standard Time Amendment (Daylight Saving) Bill 2005

Explanatory note
This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill
Under the Standard Time Act 1987 (the Principal Act) the daylight saving period (described as summer time in that Act) commences each year at 2 am on the last Sunday in October and ends at 2 am on the last Sunday in the following March. The object of this Bill is to amend the Principal Act for the following purposes:

(a) to enable the daylight saving period in New South Wales to be changed in future by regulation,
(b) to extend this period by one week in the year 2006 to 2 April in that year to coincide with the XVIII Commonwealth Games that are to be held in Victoria,
(c) to confirm, by way of statute law revision, that (subject to any future variation) daylight saving in Lord Howe Island is 30 minutes in advance and not 1 hour in advance of standard time in accordance with an order published in the Gazette on 2 June 1989.

Outline of provisions
Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.
Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent to the Act.
Clause 3 is a formal provision that gives effect to the amendments to the Principal Act set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments
Schedule 1 [1] and [2] substitute the definition of summer time period in the Principal Act, having the effect described above in paragraphs (a) and (b) of the overview.
Schedule 1 [3] amends section 9 of the Principal Act, having the effect described above in paragraph (c) of the overview.