Legislative Council

Natural Resources Commission Bill

Schedule of Government amendments agreed to in Committee of the Whole on Friday 5 December 2003 pm.

No. 1 Page 2. Insert after line 7:

3 Objects

The object of this Act is to establish an independent body with broad investigating and reporting functions for the purposes of:

- (a) establishing a sound scientific basis for the properly informed management of natural resources in the social, economic and environmental interests of the State, and
- (b) enabling the adoption of State-wide standards and targets for natural resource management issues, and
- (c) advising on the circumstances in which broadscale clearing is to be regarded as improving or maintaining environmental outcomes for the purposes of the *Native Vegetation Act 2003*.
- No. 2 Page 3, clause 4. Insert after line 5:
 - (g) marine environment (except a matter arising under the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* or the *Marine Parks Act 1997*),
 - (h) forestry,
- No. 3 Page 7, clause 14 (1), lines 10 and 11. Omit "reports on its recommendations, audits, inquiries and advice". Insert instead "reports on the exercise of all its functions under section 12".
- No. 4 Page 7, clause 14 (3), line 21. Omit all words on that line. Insert instead:
 - (3) Each report of the Commission is to be made public within a reasonable time after it is provided to the Minister.