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Local Government Amendment (De-amalgamation Plebiscites) Bill 2023

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 Process after plebiscite initiated

Page 5, Schedule 1[9], proposed Schedule 10, clause 4(1), lines 14–18. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

- (1) The Minister must direct—
 - (a) the Electoral Commissioner to decide a date to hold the plebiscite, and
 - (b) the Boundaries Commission to prepare a case for and against the proposed re-constitution of the former area, in consultation with the electors enrolled in relation to addresses within the boundaries of the new area (a *de-amalgamation case*).

No. 2 Process after plebiscite initiated

Page 5, Schedule 1[9], proposed Schedule 10, clause 4(5), lines 30 and 31. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

(5) The Electoral Commissioner must advise the council for the new area and the Secretary of the Department of the date for the plebiscite.

No. 3 Carrying of question at plebiscite

Page 6, Schedule 1[9], proposed Schedule 10, clause 7(1), lines 16 and 17. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

(1) The question is carried if it is supported by the votes of a majority of the total number of enrolled electors of the former area as at the closing date.

No. 4 Council staff affected by de-amalgamations

Page 7, Schedule 1[9], proposed Schedule 11. Insert after line 31—

5 Council staff affected by de-amalgamations

Chapter 11, Part 6 extends to a de-amalgamation to which this schedule applies as if it were a proposal made to the Minister by the amalgamated council under section 215.

Note— Chapter 11, Part 6 contains provisions about council staff affected by a constitution, amalgamation or alteration of a council area.