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Proposed amendments

No. 1 Page 5, clause 9. Insert after line 4:

- (2) A direction given to the Commission by the Minister must be in writing.
- (3) As soon as practicable after giving a direction to the Commission, the Minister is to cause a copy of the direction:
 - (a) to be published in the Gazette, and
 - (b) to be provided to the Presiding Officer of each House of Parliament.
- (4) A direction given to the Commission by the Minister does not have effect until a copy of the direction has been published in the Gazette and the Presiding Officer of a House of Parliament has made the direction public or has laid the direction before that House.
- No. 2 Page 6, clause 12 (1) (a), line 27. Omit "in". Insert instead "throughout".
- No. 3 Page 6, clause 12 (1) (b), line 29. Omit "and report on".
- No. 4 Page 7, clause 12, lines 5-8. Omit all words on those lines. Insert instead:
 - (h) to work, independently and with others:
 - (i) to educate the community about mental health issues, and
 - (ii) to reduce the stigma associated with mental illness and prejudice against people who have a mental illness, and
 - (iii) to eliminate discrimination against people who have a mental illness,
- No. 5 Page 7, clause 12. Insert after line 26:
 - (3) The Minister is, as soon as practicable after receiving a draft strategic plan, to provide a copy of the plan to the Presiding Officer of each House of Parliament.
- No. 6 Page 7. Insert before line 27:

13 Draft strategic plan for mental health system

The draft strategic plan for the mental health system must:

- (a) include mental health services provided by both government and non-government sectors, and
- (b) specify a term for the plan, not exceeding 5 years.
- No. 7 Page 7, clause 13 (3), lines 34 and 35. Omit all words on those lines. Insert instead:
 - (3) The Minister is, as soon as practicable after receiving a copy of a special report, to cause a copy of the report to be provided to the Presiding Officer of each House of Parliament unless the Minister is satisfied that the report contains information that is Cabinet information under the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* or information that relates to confidential proceedings of Cabinet or any committee of Cabinet.
- No. 8 Page 8, clause 14, line 4. Omit all words on that line. Insert instead:
 - (a) the implementation of the strategic plan and progress of the mental health system throughout New South Wales against the strategic plan,
 - (b) funding allocated to mental health in the State budget for the previous year, including the purposes for which funds were provided and details of any variation in expenditure from those purposes,
- No. 9 Page 9, clause 17 (1), line 24. Insert ", direction or draft strategic plan" after "report".
- No. 10 Page 9, clause 17. Insert after line 30:
 - (3) If a copy of a direction is provided to the Presiding Officer of a House of Parliament under this Act, the Presiding Officer may make the direction public whether not that House is in session and whether or not the direction has been laid before that House.