Save Erskineville Public School

Bill 2002

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are:

- (a) to require Erskineville Public School to be retained as a public asset, and
- (b) to promote its conservation, and
- (c) to place restrictions on its use so that it may be used only for the purpose of a public school.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the long title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent.

Clause 3 defines Erskineville Public School as including the school grounds.

Clause 4 declares that Erskineville Public School and its grounds can not be lawfully granted, sold, leased, mortgaged, charged or otherwise alienated or encumbered, except as provided by the proposed Act.

Clause 5 restricts development of Erskineville Public School and its grounds. The restrictions allow them to be used only for the purpose of a government school and only with development consent.

Clause 6 allows the buildings and grounds to be leased, and for a person to be licensed to use the buildings and grounds, for up to 10 years, but only after the public has had an opportunity to comment on the content of the proposed lease or licence.

Clause 7 saves any leases or licences that affected Erskineville Public School or its grounds immediately before the Bill for the proposed Act was introduced into the Legislative Assembly.

Clause 8 provides that the proposed Act does not affect the application of the *Heritage Act 1977* to Erskineville Public School.