Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Amendment (Change of Sex) Bill 2014 Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1995* to allow a married person who has undergone a sex affirmation procedure to apply for alteration of the record of the person's sex, or for registration of the person's sex, and to allow the Registrar to make changes to the Register of Births, Deaths and Marriages accordingly.

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 proposed Act.

Clause 3 (2) gives effect to the object described in the above Overview by removing from the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1995* provisions that prevent a married person from applying to the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages for alteration of the record of the person's sex, or for registration of the person's sex, and that prevent the Registrar from making the relevant changes to the Register of Births, Deaths and Marriages. Clause 3 (1) makes consequential amendments.