



New South Wales

Public Accountability Legislation Amendment (Sydney Motorway Corporation) Bill 2017

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are as follows:

- (a) to amend the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* to provide that information held by the Sydney Motorway Corporation may be accessed under that Act,
- (b) to amend the *Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988* to enable the ICAC to investigate allegations or complaints of corrupt conduct that relate to the Sydney Motorway Corporation and its employees,
- (c) to amend the *Ombudsman Act 1974* to enable complaints to be made to the Ombudsman about the conduct of the Sydney Motorway Corporation,
- (d) to amend the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1983* to provide for the financial reports and transactions of the Sydney Motorway Corporation to be inspected and audited by the Auditor-General,
- (e) to amend the *Public Interest Disclosures Act 1994* to extend the protections under that Act to employees of the Sydney Motorway Corporation who make disclosures in the public interest about any wrongdoing.

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.

Schedule 1 contains the amendments described in the above overview.