LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 Requirement for information about counselling
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7 Requirement for information about counselling

(1) Before performing a termination on a person under section 5 or 6, a medical practitioner must—

(a) assess whether or not it would be beneficial to discuss with the person and the person's partner accessing counselling about the proposed termination, and

(b) if, in the medical practitioner's assessment, it would be beneficial and the person or the person's partner is interested in accessing counselling, provide all necessary information to the person or the person's partner about access to counselling, including publicly-funded counselling.

(2) Subsection (1) applies in relation to a person's partner only if the partner attends consultations the person has with the medical practitioner.

(3) A medical practitioner may, in an emergency, perform a termination on a person without complying with subsection (1).

No. 2 Termination to be performed in accordance with professional standards and guidelines
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7—Termination to be performed in accordance with professional standards and guidelines

In performing a termination under section 5 or 6, a medical practitioner must comply with any professional standards or guidelines that apply to medical practitioners in relation to the performance of terminations.
Ms Eleni Petinos moved, That the amendment be amended by leaving out:

(1) The words “and the person’s partner” in paragraph (1) (a).

(2) The words “or the person’s partner” wherever occurring in paragraph (1) (b).

(3) Paragraph (2).