



New South Wales

# Government Information (Public Access) Amendment (Electronic Applications) Bill 2019

## 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 *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* to—

- (a) allow for access applications to be made electronically, and
- (b) allow for the electronic payment of fees and charges if an access application is made electronically.

## 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      **Amendment of Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 No 52**

**Schedule 1[1]** extends the ways in which an access application may be validly made to include an access application that is sent electronically.

**Schedule 1[2]** allows for the electronic payment of fees and charges for access applications that have been sent electronically.