

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

Under section 24 of the *Constitution Act 1902*, the Legislative Assembly expires on the Friday before the first Saturday in March prior to a scheduled general election on the fourth Saturday in March.

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Constitution Act 1902* to prevent the Government from advising the Governor to prorogue Parliament at any time after the fourth Saturday in September and before 26 January prior to that expiry. The amendment will not affect any reserve powers of the Governor to act without the advice of the Government.

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 amends the *Constitution Act 1902* to give effect to the object set out above.