

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Local Government Amendment (Pecuniary Interests Disclosures) Bill 2020

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Publication by general manager of returns on council's website**

Page 2, clause 3 (proposed section 440AAC(1)), lines 11–13. Omit all words on those lines. Insert instead—

- (1) The general manager of a council must publish on the council's website returns disclosing interests required under a code of conduct to be disclosed that have been lodged with the general manager by a councillor, delegate or designated person.

No. 2 **Public interest against disclosure**

Page 2. Insert after line 13—

- (1A) Despite subsection (1), if the general manager considers that there is an overriding public interest against disclosure of information contained in a return, the general manager must publish the return on the council's website redacted to the extent necessary to prevent the disclosure of that information.
- (1B) There is an *overriding public interest against disclosure* of information contained in a return for the purposes of this clause if, and only if, there are public interest considerations against disclosure and, on balance, those considerations outweigh the public interest considerations in favour of disclosure.