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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Information to be provided if patient assessed as meeting eligibility criteria**

Page 13, clause 28(1). Insert after line 24—

- (ia) it is unlawful for a person to apply pressure or duress on the patient to request voluntary assisted dying or to continue the request and assessment process,

Note— See section 124 for the relevant offence

No. 2 **Recording and notification of outcome of first assessment**

Page 15, clause 30(4). Insert after line 21—

- (la) a statement confirming the patient has been advised it is unlawful for a person to apply pressure or duress on the patient to request voluntary assisted dying or to continue the request and assessment process,

Note— See section 124 for the relevant offence

- (lb) a statement confirming the coordinating practitioner has asked the patient whether the patient has experienced pressure or duress to request access to voluntary assisted dying from a person who is a beneficiary under the patient's will or may otherwise benefit financially or in another material way from the patient's death,

No. 3 **Recording and notification of outcome of first assessment—guidelines**

Page 15, clause 30(4). Insert before line 22—

- (ld) a statement confirming the coordinating practitioner has acted in accordance with guidelines under section 186A in determining whether the patient has experienced pressure or duress to request access to voluntary assisted dying,

No. 4 **Recording and notification of outcome of consulting assessment**

Page 19, clause 41(4). Insert after line 18—

- (la) a statement confirming the patient has been advised it is unlawful for a person to apply pressure or duress on the patient to request voluntary assisted dying or to continue the request and assessment process,

Note— See the *Crimes Act 1900*, section 41C for the relevant offence

- (lb) a statement confirming the practitioner has asked the patient whether the patient has experienced pressure or duress to request access to

voluntary assisted dying from a person who is a beneficiary under the patient's will or may otherwise benefit financially or in another material way from the patient's death,

No. 5 **Recording and notification of outcome of consulting assessment—guidelines**

Page 19, clause 41(4). Insert before line 19—

- (1d) a statement confirming the consulting practitioner has acted in accordance with guidelines under section 186A in determining whether the patient has experienced pressure or duress to request access to voluntary assisted dying,

No. 6 **Training—elder abuse and abuse of other vulnerable persons**

Page 75, clause 186(c), line 28. Insert “, including elder abuse and abuse of other vulnerable persons” after “duress”.

No. 7 **Guidelines**

Page 75. Insert after proposed section 186A(2)(b) inserted by amendment no 11 on sheet c2021-205B—

- (ba) how coordinating practitioners and consulting practitioners may determine whether patients have experienced pressure or duress to request access to voluntary assisted dying, and

No. 8 **Meaning of pressure or duress—elder abuse and abuse of other vulnerable persons**

Page 80, Schedule 1. Insert after line 14—

Example— elder abuse or abuse of other vulnerable persons