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Proposed amendment

No. 1 Page 81. Insert after line 27:

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- (1) The Minister is to establish an Oiled Wildlife Care Network.
- (2) The network is to consist of representatives of organisations that have an interest or involvement in the protection of wildlife contaminated by oil or any other marine pollutant, which may include, but are not limited to, representatives of:
 - (a) wildlife care or rehabilitation providers,
 - (b) zoological parks,
 - (c) emergency services,
 - (d) regulatory agencies,
 - (e) academic institutions.
- (3) The Minister is to determine the constitution and procedure of the network.
- (4) The functions of the network are as follows:
 - (a) to prepare a major spill contingency plan that sets out an integrated, co-ordinated procedure to combat the effects of a major spill of a marine pollutant on the environment and on wildlife,
 - (b) to test the major spill contingency plan at least once a year by the conduct of a drill,
 - (c) if there are any deficiencies identified by that drill, to amend the major spill contingency plan,
 - (d) if there is a major spill of a marine pollutant, to assist in implementing the major spill contingency plan,
 - (e) to carry out continual training of personnel (including volunteers) who would potentially be involved in collecting and caring for wildlife affected by a major spill of a marine pollutant,
 - (f) to conduct periodic drills to test the preparedness and skills of those personnel,

- (g) if there are any deficiencies identified by those drills, to conduct further training of personnel to remedy the deficiencies,
- (h) to make recommendations to the Minister regarding how to make facilities and infrastructure ready to respond to a major spill of a marine pollutant.
- (5) Any expenditure under this section is to be paid out of money to be provided by Parliament.