

# Law Enforcement and National Security (Assumed Identities) Amendment Bill 2013

## 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 *Law Enforcement and National Security (Assumed Identities) Act 2010* (the *principal Act*) as follows:

- (a) to require that applications for orders under the principal Act to make or cancel entries for assumed identities in the Births, Deaths and Marriages Register be heard in chambers,
- (b) to make it clear that the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation and the Australian Secret Intelligence Service may apply for orders under the principal Act to have entries for assumed identities made in the Births, Deaths and Marriages Register,
- (c) to increase (from 4 to 5) the number of delegations of a chief officer's functions under the principal Act that may be in force at any one time,
- (d) to update references to certain offices, the holders of which may be delegated a chief officer's functions under the principal Act.