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# **Data Sharing (Government Sector) Bill 2015**

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## Proposed amendments

#### No. 1 Protected information

Page 4, clause 5 (2). Insert after line 22:

- (c) to disclose any government sector data that is information of the following kind:
  - (i) information about an individual arising out of, or in connection with, an authorised operation within the meaning of the *Law Enforcement (Controlled Operations) Act 1997*,
  - (ii) information about an individual arising out of, or in connection with, a Royal Commission or a Special Commission of Inquiry,
  - (iii) information about an individual arising out of, or in connection with, a complaint made under Part 8A of the *Police Act 1990*,
  - (iv) information about an individual (including an opinion about an individual) relating to the employment or proposed employment of the individual by a government sector agency.
  - (v) information about an individual arising out of, or in connection with, a warrant issued under the *Telecommunications* (Interception and Access) Act 1979 of the Commonwealth,
  - (vi) adoption information within the meaning of the *Adoption Act* 2000.
  - (vii) any other information prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph, or

### No. 2 Privacy safeguards

Page 7, clause 12 (2), line 15. Insert "and the Privacy Commissioner" after "data provider".

#### No. 3 Privacy safeguards

Page 7, clause 12, insert after line 16:

- (3) If a data recipient is provided with government sector data that contains health information or personal information, the data recipient is to ensure that the data is made anonymous unless:
  - (a) to do so would defeat the purpose for which the data is transferred to the data recipient, and
  - (b) the data is protected by a privacy code of practice or public interest direction under the privacy legislation.

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# No. 4 Data custody

Page 7, clause 14. Insert after line 36:

(2) Any health information or personal information that is provided to the DAC must be held on a computer or other storage medium that is owned and controlled by a government sector agency.

### No. 5 Reviews of Act

Page 9. Insert after line 26:

# 20 Separate reviews of Act by Auditor-General, Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner

- (1) The Auditor-General, the Information Commissioner and the Privacy Commissioner are each to review the operation of the Act separately and report to the Minister on the outcome of their reviews.
- (2) Each such review is to be undertaken as soon as possible after the period of 2 years from the date of assent to this Act.
- (3) The report on the outcome of the review by the Auditor-General, the Information Commissioner and the Privacy Commissioner is to be tabled in each House of Parliament within 12 months after the period of 2 years.