1. The Electoral and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 (the Bill) is proposed to:

* implement the further legislative stage of the Government’s response to certain recommendations in the Report of the Crime and Corruption Commission titled *Operation Belcarra: A blueprint for integrity and addressing corruption risk in local government*;
* facilitate operational improvements and support efficiencies in the State electoral system by implementing the Government’s response to the Independent Panel’s report, *A review of the conduct of the 2016 local government elections, the referendum and the Toowoomba South by-election*;
* reflect the adoption of four-year fixed parliamentary terms in Queensland; and
* better align provisions for State and local government elections and referendums.

1. The Bill also makes amendments of a miscellaneous nature including in relation to:

* prisoner voting;
* the online publication of returns;
* the publication by the Electoral Commission Queensland of election information in relation to first preference votes and the distribution of preferences and provision of stated election information to registered political parties/ independent members; and
* vacancies in the Legislative Assembly in the last three months before dissolution day.

1. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Electoral and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 into the Legislative Assembly.
2. *Attachments*

* [Electoral and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)