**Legislative Council**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL 2019**

(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Dr RATNAM)

1. Clause 13, line 31, omit "subject to subsection (5),".
2. Clause 13, page 30, line 3, omit "divided." and insert "divided; or".
3. Clause 13, page 30, after line 3 insert—

 "(c) all Councillors elected to represent multi member wards into which the municipal district is divided and divided so that an equal number of Councillors represents each ward; or

 (d) Councillors elected to represent single member wards and multi member wards of different sizes into which the municipal district is divided.".

1. Clause 13, page 30, lines 4 to 9, omit all words and expressions on those lines.
2. Clause 15, lines 21 and 22, omit all words and expressions on those lines and insert—

 "(ii) that the Council is to be constituted in a manner specified in section 13(4)(a), (b), (c) or (d);".

1. Clause 15, line 27, omit "Council;" and insert "Council.".
2. Clause 15, lines 28 to 34, omit all words and expressions on those lines.
3. Clause 16, lines 2 to 7, omit all words and expressions on those lines.
4. Clause 16, line 8, omit "subsections (13) and (14)" and insert "subsection (13)".
5. Clause 16, line 11, omit "or (c)".
6. Clause 16, lines 15 and 16, omit "If the Minister has established an electoral representation advisory panel, the" and insert "The".
7. Clause 16, after line 19 insert—

 "(3A) If the Minister elects not to adopt the advice of the electoral representation advisory panel under subsection (3) for the purposes of recommending that an Order in Council be made under section 15, the Minister must give written reasons for not adopting the electoral representation advisory panel's advice and table those reasons in each House of Parliament on or before the third sitting day after electing not to adopt the advice.".

1. Clause 16, lines 20 to 26, omit all words and expressions on those lines and insert—

 "(4) Subject to subsection (6), an electoral representation advisory panel must be constituted by—

 (a) the Electoral Commissioner appointed under section 12 of the **Electoral Act 2002** or a person nominated by the Electoral Commissioner to represent the Electoral Commissioner on the electoral representation advisory panel; and

 (b) any other person the Electoral Commissioner nominates to the Minister.".

1. Clause 16, page 34, lines 27 to 29, omit "subject to the Minister first publishing a notice under section 13(5) in relation to a Council, or a specific type of Council,".
2. Clause 16, page 35, lines 27 to 30, omit all words and expressions on those lines.