

House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 16 October 2018

Education Amendment Bill

Proposed amendment

Hon Nikki Kaye, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

Clause 15

In *clause 15(2)*, replace *new section 292A(4)* (page 7, lines 4 and 5) with:

- (4) A person who commits an offence against **subsection (3)** is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the Education Amendment Bill. It increases the fine for a person who commits false representation for the purpose of receiving, or continuing to receive, free tertiary education from a tertiary education organisation from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The quantum of the current fine is unlikely to be an adequate deterrent, as the potential benefit of the fees-free policy outweighs the cost of the fine if caught.