

House of Representatives

# Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 30 July 2019

## End of Life Choice Bill

### *Proposed amendment*

Agnes Loheni, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

#### *Clause 3*

In *clause 3*, definition of **psychiatrist**, after “psychiatry” (page 4, line 2), insert “, and has done for a period of at least 5 years”

### **Explanatory note**

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the End of Life Choice Bill to provide a minimum level of experience for a psychiatrist (as defined) as a medical practitioner who has practised in the field of psychiatry specifically – rather than in medicine more generally – for at least the period of time specified. If the expertise of a psychiatrist is to be relied upon in relation to decision making regarding euthanasia and assisted suicide then the legislation should state clearly that such expertise of a practitioner must be in the particular field of psychiatry.