Water Amendment (Long-term Average Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment) Bill 2012

(Amendments to be moved by Mr Hunt)

(1) Schedule 1, item 10, page 6 (line 11), omit “.”, substitute “; and”.

(2) Schedule 1, item 10, page 6 (after line 11), at the end of subsection 23A(2), add:

(d) a requirement for the Authority not to propose an adjustment under paragraph (1)(a) or (b) without inviting members of the public to make submissions to the Authority on the proposed adjustment and providing a reasonable amount of time for those submissions to be made and considered by the Authority.

(3) Schedule 1, item 10, page 6 (line 20), omit “is adopted”, substitute “may be adopted”.

(4) Schedule 1, item 10, page 9 (lines 12 to 18), omit subsection 23B(6), substitute:

(6) As soon as practicable after receiving the amendment, the Minister must:

(a) consider the amendment; and

(b) either:

(i) adopt, in writing, the amendment; or

(ii) give the Authority notice, in writing, that the Minister has decided not to adopt the amendment.

Note: As a result of a long-term average sustainable diversion limit for the water resources of a particular water resource plan area (or a particular part of those water resources) being amended, the long-term annual diversion limit for those water resources is also amended (see table item 7 of the table in subsection 22(1)).