House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Wednesday, 12 April 2017

Education (Update) Amendment Bill

Proposed amendment

Tracey Martin, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

Clause 144

In clause 144, new section 442, insert as subsection (2) (page 81, after line 18):

- (2) Subject to **subsection (1)**, no prospective student may be refused enrolment at a State integrated school on the grounds of—
 - (a) religion, race, or socio-economic background; or
 - (b) lack of willingness of the parent to make financial contributions to the school.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends *clause 144*, *new section 442* in the Education (Update) Amendment Bill to ensure that, while state-integrated schools have the right and responsibility to identify and maintain their special character, they do not have the right to refuse entry to any student on the grounds of religion, race, socioeconomic background, or lack of willingness of the parent to make financial contributions to the school.