

House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 19 November 2013

Game Animal Council Bill

Proposed amendment

Eugenie Sage, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

New Clause 16A

After *clause 16* (after line 21 on page 13), insert:

16A Areas excluded from designation of herds of special interest

Notwithstanding **section 16**, a herd of special interest must not be designated over any location in a national park established under the National Parks Act 1980; or over any national reserve, nature reserve, scientific reserve, ecological area, scenic reserve, or historic reserve established under the Reserves Act 1977.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the Game Animal Council Bill. The establishment of herds of special interest and the management of problem animals such as deer and chamois for hunting purposes potentially conflicts with the protection of indigenous habitats and ecosystems on conservation land from the impacts of these introduced browsers. *New clause 16A* ensures that the protection of indigenous biodiversity remains the primary management purpose in our highest categories of protected area by preventing herds of special interest being established in them.
