

House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 14 August 2018

Electoral (Integrity) Amendment Bill

Proposed amendments

Chris Bishop, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 5

In *clause 5, new section 55D*, replace *paragraph (c)* (page 3, lines 23 to 28) with:

- (c) state that, after consideration of the conduct of the member and his or her response (if any) by the parliamentary members of the political party for which the member was elected, the parliamentary leader of that party confirms that a near-unanimity of the parliamentary members of that party agree that written notice should be given by the parliamentary leader under **section 55A(3)(b)**; and

In *clause 5, new section 55E*, before the definition of **parliamentary leader** (page 4, before line 4), insert:

near-unanimity means the number of members identified in **Schedule 4** based on the number of parliamentary members of that party

New clause 7

After *clause 6* (page 4, after line 18), insert:

7 Schedule 4 inserted

After Schedule 3, insert the **Schedule 4** set out in the **Schedule** of this Act.

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After *new clause 7*, insert:

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Schedule 4
Near-unanimity of parliamentary members of a party

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In a caucus of 3 members, near-unanimity is 2 members.
In a caucus of 2 members, near-unanimity is 1 member.
In a caucus of 1 member, near-unanimity is 1 member.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the Electoral (Integrity) Amendment Bill. It amends *clause 5* to increase the threshold for caucus agreement to expel an MP to near-unanimity, to reduce the control a leader has over the fate of an individual MP. It also inserts *new clause 7* and a new *Schedule*, inserting *new Schedule 4* to provide a list of what qualifies as near-unanimity.