House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 10 September 2019

End of Life Choice Bill

Proposed amendment

Chris Penk, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

Clause 20

In clause 20, after subclause (1) (page 14, after line 14), insert:

- (1A) The following persons are ineligible for appointment to the Review Committee:
 - (a) the current or any former Health and Disability Commissioner:
 - the current or any former Registrar (assisted dying): (b)
 - any current or former member of the SCENZ Group. (c)

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the End of Life Choice Bill. It would ensure that people who have already held (or still hold) certain key roles are not also members of this body.

It would be inappropriate for any given person to hold multiple roles in this field, given the importance of the various roles.

The more important the roles, the greater the potential for significant conflicts of interest in relation to the review of policy and practice of euthanasia and assisted suicide under the proposed legislation.

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