

## FACT SHEET

### *Fire Service Amendment Bill 2016*

The bill will amend the *Fire Service Act 1979*.

It will amend Clause 7(5) to remove the provision that the Chief Officer, Tasmania Fire Service is the Chair of the State Fire Commission (the Commission).

A provision will be included to appoint an independent Chair of the Commission. The Chair will be appointed by the Governor on the recommendation of the Minister. The Chair must be a person whom the Minister considers will carry out the duties in an independent and fair manner.

The Chief Officer, Tasmania Fire Service will remain a member of the Commission as Chief Executive Officer.