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CONTROL AMENDMENT (EPA INDEPENDENCE) BILL  
2021**

*(Brought in by Rosalie Ellen Woodruff MP)*

**A BILL FOR**

**An Act to amend the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994* to provide for the independence of the Environmental Protection Authority**

Be it enacted by Her Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Amendment (EPA Independence) Act 2021*.

**2. Commencement**

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

**3. Principal Act**

In this Act, the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*\* is referred to as the Principal Act.

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\*No. 44 of 1994

*Environmental Management and Pollution Control Amendment (EPA  
Independence) Act 2021  
Act No. of 2021*

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**4. Section 14A inserted**

After section 14 of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Division 1 of Part 2:

**14A. Authority not subject to direction or control of Minister**

The Authority is not subject to the direction or control of the Minister in respect of the performance or exercise of its functions or powers.

**5. Sections 15, 15A, 15B and 15C repealed**

Sections 15, 15A, 15B and 15C of the Principal Act are repealed.

**6. Repeal of Act**

This Act is repealed on the three hundred and sixty fifth day from the day on which all of the provisions of this Act commence.