

## FACT SHEET

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### ***House of Assembly Restoration Bill 2021***

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In 1998 the *Parliamentary Reform Bill 1998* was introduced into the Tasmanian Parliament, and passed. The Act reduced the number of seats in the House of Assembly from 35 to 25, and the number of seats per electorate from seven to five.

The *House of Assembly Restoration Bill 2021* amends the *Constitution Act 1934* and the *Electoral Act 2004* to restore the number of seats in the House of Assembly to 35, and the number of seats in each electorate to seven.

The bill also provides for an additional Minister, the requirement for four additional members to be present for a Quorum, and increases the number of candidates that must be marked on a House of Assembly election ballot to seven.

The *House of Assembly Bill 2021* is functionally identical to the *House of Assembly Bill 2018*, which was unanimously recommended for approval by the Select Committee on House of Assembly Restoration Bill in 2020.