Repeal of Regulations Postponement Bill (No 2) 2013

SECOND READING SPEECH

Mr Speaker, I move that the Bill be now read a second time.

The purpose of this Bill is to ensure continuation of administration of legislation in cases where it has not been practicable to remake the relevant subordinate legislation before it is due to expire.

This is standard, annual business of government. Each year there are legitimate reasons for some subordinate legislation not to be repealed or re-made according to the 10-year schedule of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1992*, or to need further extension after a previous repeal postponement.

The Bill extends the expiry date of two sets of Regulations for a further 12 months:

• Surveyors Regulations 2003

A number of amendments to the *Surveyors Regulations 2003* are required, some of which cannot be determined until the changes to the associated *Surveyors Act 2002* are finalised. Whilst it is likely that the Act amendment process will be completed by the end of the

year, the consequent regulatory amendment process will be lengthy and the changes will not be ready for implementation prior to the current regulations expiring on 26 November 2013.

Animal (Brands and Movement) Regulations 2003

A suite of amendments to the *Animal (Brands and Movement)* Regulations 2003 are needed. The scoping of these needs to be progressed in consultation with industry, through the National Livestock Identification System Advisory Committee (Tasmania). Furthermore, COAG are currently considering improvements to the NLIS for sheep and goats. Neither the amendments nor a COAG decision will be finalised before the expiration of the regulations on 10 December 2013.

Therefore, the Bill before you is to extend the existing Regulations until 26 November 2014 and 10 December 2014, respectively.

Mr Speaker, I commend the Bill to the House.