

Parliamentary Service Amendment (Post‑election Report) Act 2019

No. 4, 2019

An Act to amend the *Parliamentary Service Act 1999*, and for related purposes

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[*Assented to 1 March 2019*]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

 This Act is the *Parliamentary Service Amendment (Post‑election Report) Act 2019*.

2 Commencement

 (1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this Act | The day this Act receives the Royal Assent. | 1 March 2019 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this Act.

 (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

3 Schedules

 Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Parliamentary Service Act 1999

1 Subsection 64MA(1)

Omit “, before the end of 30 days after the end of the caretaker period for a general election,”.

2 After subsection 64MA(1)

Insert:

 (1A) The Parliamentary Budget Officer must prepare the post‑election report before the later of:

 (a) 30 days after the end of the caretaker period for the general election to which the report relates; and

 (b) 7 days before the first sitting day of either or both Houses of the Parliament after the general election to which the report relates.

3 Subsection 64MB(3)

Omit “30 days after the end of the caretaker period”, substitute “on the day on which the post‑election report is publicly released under subsection 64MC(1)”.

4 Subsection 64MC(1)

Repeal the subsection, substitute:

 (1) The Parliamentary Budget Officer must publicly release the post‑election report required by subsection 64MA(1) as soon as practicable after preparing the report and before the later of:

 (a) 30 days after the end of the caretaker period for the general election to which the report relates; and

 (b) 7 days before the first sitting day of either or both Houses of the Parliament after the general election to which the report relates.

[*Minister’s second reading speech made in—*

*House of Representatives on 5 December 2018*

*Senate on 14 February 2019*]

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