

Explanatory Memorandum and Clause Notes to accompany *Curriculum Council (Fees and Charges) Bill 2006*

The *Curriculum Council (Fees and Charges) Bill 2006* is necessary to validate the past collections of fees and charges by the Curriculum Council as those matters were not dealt with by regulations as envisaged by section 14 and 33 of the *Curriculum Council Act 1997*.

The omission was discovered during the course of a review conducted for the purposes of section 36 of the Act.

The total amount collected to date is approximately \$7.4 million and current amounts are approximately \$1 million.

Clause notes

- Clause 1** Contains the short title of the Bill.
- Clause 2** Provides that the Act will come into operation on the day that it receives the Royal Assent.
- Clause 3** Defines the term “Curriculum Council” as the Council established by section 5 of the *Curriculum Council Act 1997*.
- Clause 4** Is a validating provision which declares that any fee or charge imposed by or paid to the Council before the coming into operation of this Act is to be taken to be and to always have been validly and lawfully imposed or paid as it would have been if it had been imposed and paid under regulations made under the *Curriculum Council Act 1997*.