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Victoria

Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026†

No. 30 of 2026

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The Parliament of Victoria enacts:

Part 1—Preliminary

1 Purposes

The purposes of this Act are—

(a) to establish Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(b) to establish the Land and Aquatic Access Panel; and

(c) to repeal the **Game Management Authority Act 2014**; and

(d) to repeal the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**; and

(e) to make consequential amendments to the **Fisheries Act 1995**, the **Surveillance Devices Act 1999**, the **Wildlife Act 1975** and other Acts.

2 Commencement

(1) Subject to subsection (2), this Act comes into operation on a day or days to be proclaimed.

(2) If a provision of this Act does not come into operation before 1 April 2027, it comes into operation on that day.

3 Definitions

In this Act—

aquaculture licence has the same meaning as in section 4(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**;

authorised officer means a person appointed under Part 4;

Board means the Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board;

chief executive officer means the chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria appointed under section 33;

Commercial Fisheries Licensing Panel has the same meaning as in section 4(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**;

commercial fishery licence means a licence issued under section 38(2) or 41(2) of the **Fisheries Act 1995** or a permit issued under section 49(2)(g) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**;

Council has the same meaning as in section 4(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**;

First Peoples has the same meaning as in section 4 of the **Statewide Treaty Act 2025**;

Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria means the body established by section 5.

four-wheel driving means driving a motor vehicle, including but not limited to a motor vehicle with four wheel drive transmission, on remote or unsealed roads or tracks;

general permit means a general permit issued under section 49 of the **Fisheries Act 1995**;

interim chief executive officer means the interim chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria appointed under section 34;

Land and Aquatic Access Panel means the Panel established by section 47;

outdoor recreation includes the following activities undertaken for the purposes of recreation—

(a) hunting;

(b) fishing;

(c) camping;

(d) boating and boating-related activities;

(e) bushwalking;

(f) hiking;

(g) mountain biking;

(h) four-wheel driving;

(i) motorised and non-motorised recreation;

(j) recreational motorcycling and trail-bike riding;

(k) prospecting and fossicking;

(l) horse riding and equestrian activities;

(m) any other prescribed activity;

public land means the following—

(a) land under the **Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978**, including land under the **Alpine Resorts Act 1983**;

(b) land in any park within the meaning of the **National Parks Act 1975**;

(c) State forest within the meaning of the **Forests Act 1958**;

(d) land in any State Wildlife Reserve or Nature Reserve within the meaning of the **Wildlife Act 1975**;

(e) unreserved Crown land under the **Land Act 1958**;

(f) land owned by, or vested in, a public authority other than a municipal council;

public sector body has the same meaning as it has in the **Public Administration Act 2004**;

recreational boating means boating undertaken in a recreational vessel;

recreational vessel has the same meaning as in section 4B of the **Marine Safety Act 2010**;

relevant law has the same meaning as in the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**;

representative body means an organisation that represents—

(a) commercial fishing interests; or

(b) seafood industry interests; or

(c) aquaculture interests; or

(d) outdoor recreation interests;

Secretary means the Secretary to the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions;

4 Interpretation

In this Act, a reference to the chief executive officer includes a reference to the interim chief executive officer unless the context otherwise requires, until the appointment of the first chief executive officer under section 33 commences.

Part 2—Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

Division 1—Establishment of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

5 Establishment of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is established.

(2) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—

(a) is a body corporate with perpetual succession; and

(b) has an official seal; and

(c) may sue and be sued; and

(d) may acquire, hold and dispose of real and personal property; and

(e) may do and suffer all acts and things that a body corporate may by law do and suffer.

6 Official seal

(1) The official seal of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—

(a) must be kept in custody as directed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(b) must not be used except as authorised by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

(2) All courts must take judicial notice of the seal of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria affixed to a document and, until the contrary is proved, must presume that it was duly affixed.

Division 2—Objects, functions and powers of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

7 Objects of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

(1) The objects of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria are the following—

(a) to promote and support sustainability and responsibility in—

(i) game hunting; and

(ii) recreational fishing and recreational boating; and

(iii) commercial fishing and aquaculture;

(b) to promote participation in outdoor recreation;

(c) to promote and support access to public land for the purpose of outdoor recreation;

(d) to optimise the social, cultural and economic benefits of outdoor recreation in Victoria in a sustainable manner;

(da) to optimise the social, cultural and economic benefits of commercial fishing and aquaculture in Victoria in a sustainable manner;

(e) to support the development of—

(i) the outdoor recreation sector; and

(ii) the commercial fishing sector; and

(iii) the aquaculture sector.

(2) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must exercise its powers and perform its functions and duties in a manner it considers best achieves the objects specified in subsection (1).

8 Functions of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria has the following functions—

(a) to administer—

(i) schemes for issuing licences and permits and allocating quotas under the **Fisheries Act 1995**; and

(ii) the scheme for issuing game licences under the **Wildlife Act 1975** in relation to hunting, taking or destroying game;

(b) to promote, monitor, investigate and enforce compliance with—

(i) this Act and the regulations; and

(ii) the **Wildlife Act 1975** and any other Act or regulations to the extent that Act or those regulations relate to game hunting; and

(iii) the **Fisheries Act 1995** and any other Act or regulations to the extent that Act or those regulations relate to recreational fishing, commercial fishing or aquaculture, or activities related to recreational fishing, commercial fishing or aquaculture; and

(iv) the **Marine Safety Act 2010** and any other Act or regulations to the extent that Act or those regulations relate to recreational boating;

(c) to provide information and education regarding rights and obligations of persons participating in fishing, recreational boating, aquaculture and game hunting;

(d) to develop operational plans and procedures regarding—

(i) the sustainable hunting of game animals; and

(ii) sustainable fishing and aquaculture; and

(iii) the humane treatment of—

(A) animals that are hunted or used in hunting; and

(B) fish in connection with fishing, fishing-related activities and aquaculture; and

(iv) strategies to minimise any negative impact of game hunting on non-game wildlife, including protected and threatened wildlife; and

(v) any power, function or duty conferred on Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, the chief executive officer or authorised officers under this Act or any other Act;

(e) to develop management plans in accordance with the **Fisheries Act 1995**;

(f) to advise and make recommendations to the Minister or the Secretary in relation to the exercise of a power, or the performance of a function or a duty—

(i) of the Minister under this Act or the regulations or any other Act or regulations, if the power, function or duty is relevant to the objects of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; or

(ii) of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria under this Act or the regulations or any other Act or regulations;

(g) to conduct, coordinate and encourage research activities in relation to—

(i) the objects of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(ii) the objectives of the **Fisheries Act 1995**; and

(iii) the environmental, social and economic impacts of—

(A) game hunting; and

(B) fishing, aquaculture and recreational boating;

(h) to support increased participation in outdoor recreation;

(i) to facilitate public access to public land for the purposes of outdoor recreation;

(j) to work with land, water, waterway and coastal managers and public sector bodies to—

(i) improve the management of public land and facilities on public land where game hunting is permitted; and

(ii) improve fisheries and recreational boating, including facilities on public land relating to fisheries and recreational boating; and

(iii) improve access to public land for the purposes of outdoor recreation;

(k) to administer grants approved by the Minister in relation to—

(i) outdoor recreation; and

(ii) commercial fishing and aquaculture;

(l) to support the provision and maintenance of fishing, hunting and boating infrastructure;

(m) to control and manage land for fishing, hunting and boating purposes, including carrying out works, improvements and other related activities;

(n) to respond to emergencies connected with outdoor recreation, commercial fishing or aquaculture;

(o) to work cooperatively with public agencies that have responsibility for regulating or promoting outdoor recreation, commercial fishing or aquaculture in other States, in Territories and in the Commonwealth;

(p) to perform any functions conferred on Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria by or under any other Act, including Acts of another State, a Territory or the Commonwealth.

9 Powers of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

For the purposes of performing its functions and duties, Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—

(a) has the powers conferred on it by this Act or any other Act; and

(b) may do all other things necessary or convenient to be done for or in connection with, or as incidental to, the achievement of its objects or the performance of its functions or duties.

10 Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must have regard to principles

Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must have regard to the following when exercising its powers or performing its functions under this Act or any other Act—

(a) the principles set out in Division 3;

(b) to the extent that the exercise of the power or the performance of the function or duty relates to fisheries or recreational boating—

(i) the objectives set out in section 3 of the **Fisheries Act 1995**; and

(ii) the consultation principles set out in section 3A of the **Fisheries Act 1995**; and

(iii) the sustainability and viability of commercial fishing and aquaculture; and

(iv) the facilitation of fair and reasonable access to aquatic resources.

11 Ministerial directions

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must exercise its powers and perform its functions under this Act or any other Act subject to any written direction given by the Minister.

(2) If Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is given a written direction under subsection (1), Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must publish the direction in its annual report.

12 Delegation by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, by instrument, may delegate any of its powers, functions or duties under this Act or any other Act (other than this power of delegation) to—

(a) a specified employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; or

(b) each employee of a specified class of employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; or

(c) a specified person employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004**; or

(d) each person of a specified class of person employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004**.

Division 3—Principles

13 Principle of integrated decision-making

The principle of integrated decision-making means seeking to achieve government policy objectives through coordination between all levels of government and government agencies.

14 Principle of triple bottom-line assessment

The principle of triple bottom-line assessment means assessing all the economic, social and environmental costs and benefits, taking into account externalities.

15 Principle of equity

The principle of equity means—

(a) equity between persons irrespective of their—

(i) personal attributes including age, physical ability, ethnicity, culture, gender and financial situation; and

(ii) location, including whether in a growth, urban, regional, rural or remote area; and

(b) equity between generations by not compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

16 Principle of evidence-based approach

(1) The principle of an evidence-based approach means considering the best available information when making decisions.

(2) Without limiting subsection (1), the best available information may include the following—

(a) scientific research;

(b) regional data, including localised information relating to use, access, closures, participation, economic impact, safety, compliance and environmental conditions;

(c) stakeholder knowledge;

(d) on-ground evidence, including observations, incident reports, field assessments, stakeholder reports and operational experience from areas to which the decisions relate.

17 Principle of stakeholder engagement and community participation

The principle of stakeholder engagement and community participation means—

(a) applying, to the extent that it is practicable, the consultation principles set out in section 3A of the **Fisheries Act 1995** to decisions which affect the use and conservation of Victoria's fisheries resources; and

(b) taking into account the interests of stakeholders and members of the local community in implementing appropriate processes for stakeholder engagement.

18 Principle of transparency

(1) The principle of transparency means members of the public having access to reliable and relevant information in appropriate forms to facilitate a good understanding of—

(a) issues in relation to game hunting; and

(b) issues in relation to recreational fishing, recreational boating, commercial fishing and aquaculture; and

(c) the processes by which decisions in relation to game hunting, recreational fishing, recreational boating, commercial fishing and aquaculture are made.

(2) The principle of transparency requires publication of the following, to the extent practicable information regarding consultation processes.

Part 3—Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board

Division 1—Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board

19 Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must have a governing body known as the Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board.

(2) The Board—

(a) is responsible for the financial management, governance, strategic planning, organisational culture and risk management of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(b) may carry out the functions and exercise the powers of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(c) must operate consistently with any governance requirements agreed by the Minister, the Secretary and the Board.

20 Constitution of the Board

(1) The Board must consist of not fewer than 5, and not more than 9, directors.

(2) The Minister must appoint—

(a) one director of the Board to be the chairperson; and

(b) one director of the Board to be the deputy chairperson.

(3) The deputy chairperson must act as chairperson—

(a) during a vacancy of the office of chairperson; or

(b) during any period in which the chairperson is absent; or

(c) if the chairperson, for any other reason, is unable to attend meetings of the Board or is otherwise unable to perform the duties of the office.

(4) While acting as chairperson, the deputy chairperson—

(a) has and may exercise all the powers, and must perform all the functions and duties, of the chairperson; and

(b) is entitled to be paid the remuneration and allowances to which the chairperson would have been entitled.

21 Appointment of directors

(1) The directors of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must be appointed by the Minister.

(2) In appointing a director to the Board under subsection (1), the Minister must ensure, as far as practicable, that the directors of the Board collectively have the following skills, experience and knowledge—

(a) governance skills, including skills in financial administration, risk management and strategic planning;

(b) legal experience or regulatory knowledge or experience;

Examples

1 Legal qualifications, experience in legal practice or experience in legal policy in the public sector.

2 Knowledge or experience in relation to public sector regulatory policy or regulatory risk and accountability.

(c) experience in outdoor recreation, commercial fishing, aquaculture, hunting, or recreational fishing;

Examples

1 Recreational participation in an outdoor recreation activity.

2 Commercial experience in the outdoor recreation sector, the commercial fishing sector or the aquaculture sector.

3 Governance experience in, or experience as an employee of, an entity in the outdoor recreation sector, the commercial fishing sector or the aquaculture sector.

4 Experience as a person employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004**, including in government departments or public sector bodies responsible for regulating outdoor recreation, commercial fishing or aquaculture.

(d) knowledge of First Peoples culture, community leadership and perspectives.

(3) The Minister must not appoint a person to the Board if the Minister is satisfied that the person—

(a) has a conflict of interest specified in section 25(1); or

(b) where possible, does not ordinarily reside in Victoria.

22 Conditions of appointment of directors

(1) A director—

(a) holds office for the period specified in the instrument of appointment, being a period of not more than 3 years; and

(b) holds office on the terms and conditions (including remuneration and allowances) specified in the instrument of appointment; and

(c) may be reappointed; and

(d) in respect of the office of director, is subject to the **Public Administration Act 2004** (other than Part 3 of that Act).

(2) An instrument of appointment may specify other terms and conditions of appointment not inconsistent with this Act.

23 Vacancies, resignations and removal from office

(1) The office of a director becomes vacant if the director—

(a) becomes an insolvent under administration; or

(b) is convicted or found guilty of—

(i) an indictable offence; or

(ii) an offence that, if committed in Victoria, would be an indictable offence; or

(c) is absent from 2 consecutive meetings of the Board without the approval of the Board; or

(d) is removed from office; or

(e) resigns from office; or

(f) dies.

(2) The Minister may remove a director from office if—

(a) in the opinion of the Minister, the director becomes incapable of performing the director's duties; or

(b) in the opinion of the Minister, the director is negligent in the performance of the director's duties; or

(c) in the opinion of the Minister, the director is no longer suitable to hold office; or

(d) the director engages in improper conduct; or

(e) the director fails to declare a pecuniary or other interest as required by section 29 or 30; or

(f) the director is convicted or found guilty of—

(i) an offence against this Act; or

(ii) an offence against the **Marine Safety Act 2010**, the **Marine (Drug, Alcohol and Pollution Control) Act 1988**, the **Transport (Safety Schemes Compliance and Enforcement) Act 2014**, or regulations made under those Acts; or

(iii) an offence against a relevant law; or

(iv) an offence against a corresponding law of another State or a Territory or of the Commonwealth.

(3) A director may resign from office by notice in writing to the Minister.

24 Acting appointments

(1) The Minister may appoint a director to act as deputy chairperson—

(a) during a vacancy of the office of deputy chairperson; or

(b) during any period in which the deputy chairperson is absent; or

(c) during any period in which the deputy chairperson is acting as chairperson; or

(d) if the deputy chairperson is, for any other reason, unable to attend meetings of the Board or otherwise unable to perform the duties of the office.

(2) The Minister may appoint a person (other than the chairperson or deputy chairperson) to act as a director for a period not exceeding 3 months—

(a) during a vacancy of the office of a director; or

(b) during any period in which a director is absent; or

(c) during any period in which a director is unable to perform the duties of a director or, in the case of a director acting as the deputy chairperson under subsection (1), unable to perform the functions and duties of the deputy chairperson.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (2), the Minister, in making an appointment—

(a) is not required to comply with section 21(2); and

(b) must comply with section 21(3).

(4) While a person is acting as a director, the person—

(a) has and may exercise all the powers, and must perform all of the functions and duties of, a director; and

(b) is entitled to be paid the remuneration and allowances to which the director would have been entitled.

(5) The Minister may reappoint an acting director in accordance with subsection (2).

25 Conflict of interest

(1) For the purposes of section 21(3), a person has a conflict of interest if the person—

(a) is a member of the Council or of the Commercial Fisheries Licensing Panel; or

(b) is the holder of, or is associated with a holder of, a commercial fishery licence or an aquaculture licence; or

(c) is a senior or executive officer of a representative body, other than on a voluntary basis, where possible; or

(d) has held a commercial fishery licence or an aquaculture licence that has been cancelled, suspended or discontinued within 2 years before the date of the proposed appointment.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), a person is ***associated*** with the holder of a commercial fishery licence or an aquaculture licence if the person—

(a) is able to exercise significant influence over or with respect to the management or operation of the business of the holder of the licence because—

(i) the person holds a share in the capital of the business of the holder of the licence or any other entitlement to receive income derived from the business of the holder of the licence; or

(ii) the person is entitled to exercise a power in the business of the holder of the licence, by voting or otherwise and whether exercisable alone or in association with others—

(A) to participate in any directorial, managerial or executive decision; or

(B) to elect or appoint any person to any relevant position; or

(b) holds (including on behalf of anyone else) a relevant position in the business of the holder of the licence; or

(c) is the spouse, domestic partner, parent, step-parent, sibling, step-sibling, child, step-child or adopted child of the holder of the licence.

(3) In subsection (2)—

domestic partner of a person means—

(a) a person who is in a registered domestic relationship within the meaning of the **Relationships Act 2008** with the person; or

(b) a person to whom the person is not married but with whom the person is living as a couple on a genuine domestic basis (irrespective of gender);

relevant position means any of the following positions, however described—

(a) director;

(b) partner;

(c) trustee;

(d) manager or other executive position;

(e) secretary.

(4) For the purposes of the definition of ***domestic partner*** in subsection (3), in determining whether persons who are not in a registered relationship are domestic partners of each other, all the circumstances of their relationship are to be taken into account, including any of the matters referred to in section 35(2) of the **Relationships Act 2008** that may be relevant in a particular case.

26 Validity of acts or decisions

An act or decision of the Board is not invalid by reason only of—

(a) any vacancy in the office of a director; or

(b) any defect or irregularity in or in connection with the appointment of a director.

27 Proceedings of the Board

(1) A majority of the directors for the time being, of whom one director must be the chairperson or deputy chairperson, constitutes a quorum of the Board.

(2) A question arising at a meeting of the Board must be determined by a majority of votes of directors present and voting on the question.

(3) If the voting is equal, the person presiding has a casting, as well as a deliberative, vote.

(4) The person presiding at a meeting must ensure that minutes of the meeting are kept.

(5) Subject to this Act, the Board may regulate its own proceedings.

28 Resolutions without meetings

(1) The Board may—

(a) determine that it may make a proposed resolution without a meeting; and

(b) determine a method by which directors are to indicate agreement with any proposed resolution.

(2) The Board is taken to have made a resolution at a meeting if—

(a) without meeting, a majority of the directors entitled to vote on the proposed resolution indicate agreement with the resolution; and

(b) that agreement is indicated in accordance with the method determined by the Board under subsection (1)(b); and

(c) all the directors were informed of the proposed resolution or reasonable efforts were made to inform the directors of the proposed resolution.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (2)(a), a director is not entitled to vote on a proposed resolution if the director would not have been entitled to vote on that resolution if the matter had been considered at a meeting of the Board.

(4) The Board must keep a record of the resolutions made in accordance with this section.

29 Pecuniary interests of directors

(1) Subject to subsection (2), a director who has a pecuniary interest in a matter being considered or about to be considered by the Board, as soon as practicable after the relevant facts have come to the director's knowledge, must declare the nature of that interest at a meeting of the Board.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply if the interest is no greater than that of a member of the public engaged in—

(a) game hunting or game management permitted under—

(i) a game licence issued under section 22A of the **Wildlife Act 1975**; or

(ii) the **Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010** (other than taking game for financial gain); or

(b) wildlife management; or

(c) fishing activities permitted by—

(i) a recreational fishery licence; or

(ii) a general permit issued under section 49 of the **Fisheries Act 1995** (other than a general permit that authorises the activities specified in section 49(2)(g) of that Act); or

(iii) the **Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010**, other than taking fish for financial gain.

(3) A person to whom subsection (1) applies must not fail to make a declaration in accordance with that subsection.

Penalty: 60 penalty units.

(4) The person presiding at a meeting of the Board at which a declaration is made under this section must cause a record of the declaration to be made in the minutes of the meeting.

(5) Subject to subsection (6), a director who has made a declaration under subsection (1) must not be present during any deliberation with respect to, or vote on, the matter in respect of which the declaration is made.

Penalty: 60 penalty units.

(6) Subsection (5) does not apply if a director has made a declaration to the Board and the Board resolves that the director may be present during any deliberation with respect to, or vote on, the matter in respect of which the declaration is made.

30 Disclosure of interests

(1) If a director has an interest in a matter being considered, or about to be considered, by the Board, the director, as soon as practicable after the relevant facts come to the director's knowledge, must disclose the nature of the interest to the chairperson.

(2) If the chairperson has an interest in a matter being considered, or about to be considered, by the Board, the chairperson, as soon as practicable after the relevant facts come to the chairperson's knowledge, must disclose the nature of the interest to the Minister.

(3) The Board must make guidelines specifying the types of interests that a director must disclose for the purposes of this section.

(4) The Board must cause guidelines made under this section to be published on the Internet site of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

31 Improper use of information

A person who is, or has been, a director, authorised officer, officer or employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must not make improper use of any information acquired in the course of the person's duties to obtain, directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other advantage for that person or for any other person.

Penalty: 60 penalty units.

32 Disclosure of information

(1) A person who is, or has been, a director, authorised officer, officer or employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must not disclose any information obtained during the course of the person's duties except as authorised under this section.

Penalty: 50 penalty units.

(2) A person referred to in subsection (1) is authorised and may disclose information obtained in the course of the person's duties—

(a) if the person reasonably believes that the disclosure is necessary—

(i) for or in connection with the administration of this Act or any relevant law; or

(ii) to assist a relevant person or an authorised officer to exercise a power or perform a duty or function under this Act or any relevant law; or

(b) in the following circumstances—

(i) for the purposes of any legal proceedings arising out of this Act, or any relevant law, or of any report of such proceedings;

(ii) for the purposes of any other legal proceedings;

(iii) to a court or tribunal in the course of legal proceedings;

(iv) pursuant to an order of a court or tribunal;

(v) to the extent reasonably required for any other law enforcement purposes;

(vi) with the written authority of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;

(vii) with the written authority of the person to whom the information relates.

(3) In this section—

relevant person means—

(a) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; or

(b) the Secretary; or

(c) a person authorised by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria to take proceedings under section 96(1) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**; or

(d) the Director of Public Prosecutions; or

(e) a police officer; or

(f) a person specified in section 146(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**.

Division 2—Chief executive officer and interim chief executive officer

33 Chief executive officer

(1) The Board, with the approval of the Minister, must appoint a person as chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria in accordance with this section.

Note

See section 34 regarding the appointment of the interim chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

(2) The Board must ensure that the period of appointment of the first chief executive officer appointed under this section commences on or before the day that is 12 months after the day on which Division 1 of Part 2 comes into operation.

(3) The chief executive officer holds office—

(a) for the period specified in the instrument of appointment, being a period of not more than 3 years; and

(b) on the terms and conditions (including remuneration and allowances) that are determined by the Minister.

(4) Subject to and in accordance with the policies and directions given to the chief executive officer by the Board, the chief executive officer—

(a) is responsible for the administration of the day to day management of the affairs of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(b) is responsible for performing the functions and exercising the powers conferred on the chief executive officer under this Act; and

(c) may perform any functions or exercise any powers conferred on the chief executive officer under any other Act.

(5) The chief executive officer, in the manner directed by the Board, must report to the Board regarding the performance of the chief executive officer's responsibilities and functions, and the exercise of the chief executive officer's powers, under subsection (4).

(6) Subsections (4) and (5) apply to the interim chief executive officer appointed under section 34.

34 Interim chief executive officer

(1) The Minister must appoint a person as interim chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

(2) The interim chief executive officer is to be appointed—

(a) for a period commencing on the day on which Division 1 of Part 2 comes into operation and ending on the day before the day on which the appointment of the first chief executive officer under section 33 commences; and

(b) subject to the terms and conditions (including remuneration and allowances) that are determined by the Minister and specified in the instrument of appointment.

(3) The interim chief executive officer may be appointed as the chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria in accordance with section 33.

Division 3—Staff, advisory committees and delegation

35 Staff

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria may employ under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004** any persons that are necessary for the purposes of performing the functions of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

(2) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria may enter into agreements or arrangements for the use of the services of any staff of a Department, statutory authority or other public body.

36 Advisory committees

(1) The Board, by instrument, may appoint advisory committees for the purpose of providing advice and information to assist the Board in the performance of its functions.

(2) The appointment of a member of an advisory committee is subject to any terms and conditions specified in the instrument of appointment.

(3) A member of an advisory committee must be paid any allowances and expenses that are determined by the Board.

37 Delegation

(1) The chief executive officer, with the prior approval of the Board, may delegate to a person specified in subsection (2) any power, duty or function of the chief executive officer under this Act, the regulations, the **Fisheries Act 1995** or regulations made under that Act or any other Act, other than—

(a) the powers, duties and functions set out in Part 7A of the **Fisheries Act 1995**; and

(b) this power of delegation.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the chief executive officer may delegate to—

(a) an employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; or

(b) any person employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004**.

Division 4—Financial and administrative

38 Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Account

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must establish and keep an account called the Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Account.

(2) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must pay all money received by it into the account, including income from the investments of the account.

(3) Out of the account, Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must pay—

(a) the expenses incurred by it in carrying out its functions and powers; and

(b) any other expenses incurred in the administration of this Act.

39 Quarterly performance report

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must prepare a quarterly performance report for each quarter of each financial year.

(2) The quarterly performance report must be prepared in accordance with any guidelines agreed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, the Secretary and the Minister.

(3) The quarterly performance report must include—

(a) financial statements; and

(b) any other matter set out in guidelines agreed under subsection (2).

(4) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must submit a quarterly performance report to the Secretary within 30 days of the report being prepared.

40 Annual report

(1) On or before 30 September each year, Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must submit to the Minister a report of its operations for the financial year ending on 30 June that year.

(1A) A report under this section must set out—

(a) information regarding the authorised officers appointed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria under section 42, including the number of authorised officers appointed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(b) information regarding access to land, including any matter that has reduced access to any public land for the purposes of outdoor recreation.

(2) The report must be prepared in accordance with Part 7 of the **Financial Management Act 1994**.

(3) The Minister must cause each annual report that the Minister receives under this section to be laid before each House of Parliament within 30 days after the day on which the Minister receives the report or, if Parliament is not sitting, the next sitting day.

(4) Within one month after an annual report is tabled by the Minister under subsection (3), Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must ensure that a copy of the report is published on its Internet site.

41 Annual business plan

(1) Each year Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must submit to the Minister for approval, on or before the date required by the Minister, a draft business plan that sets out—

(a) its objectives and priorities for the next 3 financial years; and

(b) financial projections for that period; and

(c) its budget for the next financial year; and

(d) what it intends to do over the next financial year; and

(e) any other matters that the Minister requires in writing.

(2) After amending its draft business plan in any way required by the Minister, Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must submit a final business plan to the Minister for approval on or before the date required by the Minister.

(3) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must not depart significantly from its budget without first obtaining the approval of the Minister.

(4) The Minister may issue guidelines as to what is a significant departure for the purposes of subsection (3).

(5) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must have regard to its current business plan in carrying out its functions.

(6) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must ensure that a copy of its current business plan is published on Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's Internet site.

Part 4—Enforcement

42 Appointment of authorised officers

(1) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, by instrument, may appoint as an authorised officer—

(a) any specified employee or a specified class of employees employed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; or

(b) any person employed under Part 3 of the **Public Administration Act 2004**; or

(c) any specified person or a member of any specified class of persons.

(2) An instrument referred to in subsection (1) must specify—

(a) the terms and conditions on which the person is appointed, including the period of appointment; and

(b) the functions, duties or powers under this Act, the regulations or a relevant law to which the appointment relates; and

(c) the area in relation to which the authorised officer is appointed, being—

(i) the whole of Victoria; or

(ii) one or more areas specified in the instrument of appointment.

(3) An instrument referred to in subsection (1) may specify that the person is appointed as a litter enforcement officer for the purposes of the **Environment Protection Act 2017**.

(4) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must give an authorised officer a certificate of appointment setting out the laws and geographical areas for which the authorised officer is appointed.

(5) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, in appointing authorised officers under this provision, must have regard to the number of functions, duties and powers in relation to which authorised officers may be appointed under subsection (2)(b).

43 Application of Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987 to authorised officers

For the purposes of this Act, Part 9 (except sections 83 and 84) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987** applies to an authorised officer as if the authorised officer were appointed as an authorised officer under the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**.

44 Application of Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987 to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

(1) For the purposes of this Part, sections 87, 89, 96, 97 (except section 97(3)(a)) and 98 (except section 98(3)(b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (8)(a) and (b) and (12)) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987** apply as if a reference to the Secretary were a reference to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

(2) For the purposes of this Part, sections 88 (except section 88(1)(c) and (7)), 88A, 97(3)(a) and 98(8)(b) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987** apply as if a reference to the Secretary were a reference to the chief executive officer.

(3) For the purposes of this Part, section 88 of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987** applies as if a reference to a certificate under the seal of the Secretary were a reference to a certificate under section 42(4).

45 Assaulting, obstructing, hindering etc. authorised officers

(1) A person must not assault, obstruct, hinder, resist, threaten or intimidate any authorised officer in the exercise or performance of any power, authority, function or duty under this Act or any other Act.

Penalty: 120 penalty units or 12 months imprisonment or both.

(2) A person must not attempt to obstruct or intimidate any authorised officer in the exercise or performance of any power, authority, function or duty under this Act or any other Act.

Penalty: 120 penalty units or 12 months imprisonment or both.

46 Abusing or insulting authorised officers

A person must not abuse or insult an authorised officer in the exercise or performance of any power, authority, function or duty under this Act or any other Act.

Penalty: 60 penalty units.

Part 5—Land and Aquatic Access Panel

47 Land and Aquatic Access Panel

(1) The Land and Aquatic Access Panel is established.

(2) Subject to subsection (3), the function of the Land Access Panel is to provide advice and information to the Minister regarding community access to public land (including public waters and marine environments) for the purposes of outdoor recreation, including by—

(a) providing recommendations relating to the improvement of access and shared access; and

(b) reporting on existing or proposed restrictions on access.

(3) The Minister may from time to time issue terms of reference for the Land and Aquatic Access Panel that set out matters that the Minister considers necessary to enable the Panel to perform its function.

(4) Without limiting subsection (3), terms of reference issued by the Minister under that subsection may do the following—

(a) confer additional functions on the Land and Aquatic Access Panel;

(b) specify the procedure of the Panel, including requirements relating to the meetings of the Panel;

(c) set out the objectives of the Panel;

(d) set out the reporting obligations that apply to the Panel.

(5) The Minister, within a reasonable time after receiving written advice under subsection (2), must provide a copy of that advice to the following Ministers—

(a) the Minister administering the **Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978**;

(b) the Minister administering the **National Parks Act 1975**;

(c) the Minister administering the **Forests Act 1958**;

(d) the Minister administering the **Wildlife Act 1975**;

(e) the Minister administering the **Land Act 1958**;

(f) the Minister administering the **Water Act 1989**.

(6) The Land and Aquatic Access Panel, by written notice, may request information from any person or body who is appointed as the manager of an area of public land or water.

(7) A person or body to whom a request for information under subsection (6) is given must provide a written response to the Land and Aquatic Access Panel.

48 Appointment of Panel members

(1) The Land and Aquatic Access Panel must consist of no fewer than 6, and no more than 12, members.

(2) The Minister, by instrument, may appoint a person as a member of the Land and Aquatic Access Panel.

(2A) The Minister must ensure that the majority of members of the Land and Aquatic Access Panel are appointed from representative bodies.

(3) The Minister must not appoint a person as a member of the Land and Aquatic Access Panel unless the Minister is satisfied that the person has knowledge or experience relevant to the function of the Panel.

(4) A member is appointed to the Land and Aquatic Access Panel—

(a) for the period specified in the instrument of appointment; and

(b) on the terms and conditions, including as to remuneration (if any), specified in the instrument of appointment.

Part 6—General

49 Regulations

(1) The Governor in Council may make regulations for or with respect to any matter or thing required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed or necessary to be prescribed to give effect to this Act.

(2) The regulations may—

(a) be of general or limited application; and

(b) differ according to differences in time, place or circumstances; and

(c) provide in a specified case or class of cases for the exemption of persons or things from any of the provisions of the regulations—

(i) whether unconditionally or on specified conditions; and

(ii) either wholly or to any extent that is specified; and

(d) apply, adopt or incorporate any matter contained in any document whether—

(i) wholly or partially or as amended by the regulations; or

(ii) as formulated, issued, prescribed or published from time to time.

Part 7—Repeals, savings and transitional provisions

Division 1—Interpretation

50 Definitions

In this Part—

commencement day means the day on which this Part comes into operation;

Game Management Authority means the Game Management Authority established under Part 2 of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** before its repeal;

Game Management Authority chief executive officer means the chief executive officer for the Game Management Authority, employed under section 17 of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** before its repeal;

liabilities means all liabilities, duties and obligations, whether actual, contingent or prospective;

property means any legal or equitable estate or interest (whether present or future and whether vested or contingent) in real or personal property of any description;

rights means all rights, powers, privileges and immunities, whether actual, contingent or prospective;

Victorian Fisheries Authority means the Victorian Fisheries Authority established under Part 2 of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016** before its repeal;

Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer means the chief executive officer for the Victorian Fisheries Authority employed

under section 34 of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016** before its repeal.

51 Application of Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984

Except where the contrary intention appears, this Part and any regulations made under this Part do not affect or take away from the **Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984**.

Division 2—Repeal of Game Management Authority Act 2014

52 Repeal of Game Management Authority Act 2014

The **Game Management Authority Act 2014** is **repealed**.

53 Transfer of property etc. from Game Management Authority to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

On the commencement day—

(a) the Game Management Authority is abolished; and

(b) any person holding office as a member of the Game Management Authority ceases to hold office; and

(c) all rights and property of the Game Management Authority immediately before its abolition are rights and property of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(d) all liabilities of the Game Management Authority existing immediately before its abolition become liabilities of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(e) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is substituted as a party in any proceeding to which the Game Management Authority was party immediately before that day; and

(f) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is substituted as a party to any contract or arrangement that was entered into by or on behalf of the Game Management Authority and that was in force immediately before that day.

54 Things done by Game Management Authority

Anything done by the Game Management Authority in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any other Act before the commencement day is taken, on that day, to have been done by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the relevant Act.

55 Things commenced by Game Management Authority before the commencement day

(1) This section applies if, before the commencement day, the Game Management Authority in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any other Act has commenced a matter or thing and has not completed that matter or thing before that day.

(2) On and after the commencement day, Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must continue and complete that matter or thing and, for the purposes of this section, anything done by the Game Management Authority before that day is taken, on that day, to have been done by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

56 Things done before commencement day by Game Management Authority chief executive officer

Anything done by the Game Management Authority chief executive officer in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, conferred on the Game Management

Authority chief executive officer under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any other Act before the commencement day is taken, on that day, to have been done by the chief executive officer in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the relevant Act.

57 Things commenced by Game Management Authority chief executive officer

(1) This section applies if, immediately before the commencement day, the Game Management Authority chief executive officer in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, conferred on the Game Management Authority chief executive officer under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any other Act had commenced a matter or thing but had not completed that matter or thing.

(2) On and after the commencement day, the chief executive officer must continue and complete that matter or thing and, for the purposes of this section, anything done by the Game Management Authority chief executive officer before that day is taken, on that day, to have been done by the chief executive officer.

58 Transfer of staff—Game Management Authority

(1) A person who, immediately before the commencement day, was employed by the Game Management Authority under the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** (other than a person employed as the Game Management Authority chief executive officer) is taken, on and after that day, to be an employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria on the same terms and conditions and with the same accrued and accruing entitlements as applied to that person immediately before the commencement day as an employee of the Game Management Authority.

(2) If subsection (1) applies to a person—

(a) the service of the person as an employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is to be regarded for all purposes as having been continuous with the service of the employee with the Game Management Authority; and

(b) the person is not entitled to receive any payment or other benefit by reason only of having ceased to be an employee of the Game Management Authority.

59 Authorised officers appointed under the Game Management Authority Act 2014

(1) This section applies to a person who, immediately before the commencement day, was an authorised officer appointed by the Game Management Authority under the **Game Management Authority Act 2014**.

(2) On and after the commencement day, a person to whom this section applies is taken to be an authorised officer appointed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria under Part 4.

(3) If an authorised officer referred to in subsection (1) has commenced to do something required or permitted to be done under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any other Act before the commencement day and has not completed doing that thing before that day, the authorised officer may continue to do and complete that thing in accordance with the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any other Act (as the case requires) on and after the commencement day.

60 Superseded references to Game Management Authority

A reference to the Game Management Authority (by whatever name described) in any Act (other than this Act) or in any instrument (including a subordinate instrument) made under or for the purposes of any Act, or any other document (by whatever name) must be construed as a reference to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—

(a) so far as the reference relates to any period on or after the commencement day; and

(b) if not inconsistent with the subject matter.

Division 3—Repeal of Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016

61 Repeal of Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016

The **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016** is **repealed**.

62 Transfer of property etc. from Victorian Fisheries Authority to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria

On the commencement day—

(a) the Victorian Fisheries Authority is abolished; and

(b) any person holding office as a director of the Victorian Fisheries Authority Board ceases to hold office; and

(c) all rights and property of the Victorian Fisheries Authority immediately before its abolition are rights and property of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(d) all liabilities of the Victorian Fisheries Authority existing immediately before its abolition become liabilities of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria; and

(e) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is substituted as a party in any proceeding to which the Victorian Fisheries Authority was party immediately before that day; and

(f) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is substituted as a party to any contract or arrangement that was entered into by or on behalf of the Victorian Fisheries Authority and that was in force immediately before that day.

63 Things done by Victorian Fisheries Authority

Anything done by the Victorian Fisheries Authority in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the **Fisheries Act 1995** or any other Act before the commencement day is taken, on that day, to have been done by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the relevant Act.

64 Things commenced by the Victorian Fisheries Authority before the commencement day

(1) This section applies if, before the commencement day, the Victorian Fisheries Authority in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a

power, under the **Fisheries Act 1995** or any other Act has commenced a matter or thing and has not completed that matter or thing before that day.

(2) On and after the commencement day, Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria must continue and complete that matter or thing and, for the purposes of this section, anything done by the Victorian Fisheries Authority before that day is taken, on that day, to have been done by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria.

65 Things done before commencement day by Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer

Anything done by the Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, conferred on the Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer under the **Fisheries Act 1995** or any other Act before the commencement day is taken, on that day, to have been done by the chief executive officer in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, under the relevant Act.

66 Things commenced by Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer

(1) This section applies if, immediately before the commencement day, the Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer in the performance of a function or duty, or exercise of a power, conferred on the Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer under the **Fisheries Act 1995** or any other Act had commenced a matter or thing but had not completed that matter or thing.

(2) On and after the commencement day, the chief executive officer must continue and complete that matter or thing and, for the purposes of this

section, anything done by the Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer before that day is taken, on that day, to have been done by the chief executive officer.

67 Transfer of staff—Victorian Fisheries Authority

(1) A person who, immediately before the commencement day, was employed by the Victorian Fisheries Authority under the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016** (other than a person employed as the Victorian Fisheries Authority chief executive officer) is taken, on and after that day, to be an employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria on the same terms and conditions and with the same accrued and accruing entitlements as applied to that person immediately before the commencement day as an employee of the Victorian Fisheries Authority.

(2) If subsection (1) applies to a person—

(a) the service of the person as an employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria is to be regarded for all purposes as having been continuous with the service of the employee with the Victorian Fisheries Authority; and

(b) the person is not entitled to receive any payment or other benefit by reason only of having ceased to be an employee of the Victorian Fisheries Authority.

68 Authorised officers appointed under Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016

(1) This section applies to a person who, immediately before the commencement day, was an authorised officer appointed by the Victorian Fisheries Authority under the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**.

(2) On and after the commencement day, a person to whom this section applies is taken to be an authorised officer appointed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria under Part 4.

(3) If an authorised officer referred to in subsection (1) has commenced to do something required or permitted to be done under the **Fisheries Act 1995** or any other Act before the commencement day and has not completed doing that thing before that day, the authorised officer may continue to do and complete that thing in accordance with the **Fisheries Act 1995** or other Act (as the case requires) on and after the commencement day.

69 Superseded references to Victorian Fisheries Authority

A reference to the Victorian Fisheries Authority (by whatever name described) in any Act (other than this Act) or in any instrument (including a subordinate instrument) made under or for the purposes of any Act, or any other document (by whatever name) must be construed as a reference to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—

(a) so far as the reference relates to any period on or after the commencement day; and

(b) if not inconsistent with the subject matter.

Division 4—Regulations dealing with transitional matters

70 Regulations dealing with transitional matters

(1) The Governor in Council may make regulations containing provisions of a transitional nature, including matters of an application or savings nature, arising as a result of the enactment of this

Act (including the repeals and amendments made by this Act).

(2) Regulations made under this section may—

(a) have a retrospective effect to the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent; and

(b) be of limited or general application; and

(c) differ according to time, place or circumstance; and

(d) leave any matter or thing to be decided by a specified person or class of person; and

(e) confer any power on the Minister or any other person; and

(f) provide for the exemption of persons or proceedings or a class of persons or proceedings from any of the regulations made under this section.

(3) Regulations under this section have effect despite anything to the contrary in this Act or any other Act (other than the **Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006**) or in any subordinate instrument.

(4) This section is **repealed** on the second anniversary of its commencement.

Part 8—Consequential amendments

Division 1—Amendment of Fisheries Act 1995

71 Definitions

In section 4(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**—

(a) in the definition of ***authorised officer***, for "Part 3 of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute** "Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**";

(b) in the definition of ***chief executive officer***, for "Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) **insert** the following definitions—

"***Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria*** has the same meaning as it has in the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;

Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board means the Board established under the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;";

(d) in paragraph (b) of the definition of ***vessel monitoring system***, for "system;" **substitute** "system.";

(e) the definition of ***Victorian Fisheries Authority*** is **repealed**.

72 References in this Part to offences include associated offences under other Acts

For section 98(1)(ja) of the **Fisheries Act 1995 substitute**—

"(ja) an offence against section 45 or 46 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

73 Information on searches to be included in annual report

In section 101I of the **Fisheries Act 1995**—

(a) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's";

(c) for "section 40 of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute** "section 40 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**".

74 Offences with respect to authorised officers

(1) In the note at the foot of section 111(1)(c) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**, for "section 45B of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute** "section 46 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**".

(2) For the note at the foot of section 111(2) of the **Fisheries Act 1995 substitute**—

"**Note**

It is an offence under the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026** to assault, obstruct, hinder, resist, threaten, intimidate or attempt to obstruct or intimidate an authorised officer in the exercise or performance of any power, authority, function or duty under this Act—see

section 45(1) and (2) of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**.".

75 Fisheries Plant and Equipment Fund

In section 141(2) and (4)(b) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

76 Immunity provision

(1) In section 142(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

(2) In section 142(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**, for ", Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** ", Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

77 Secrecy provision

For section 146(1)(da) of the **Fisheries Act 1995 substitute**—

"(da) a director of the Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Board, the chief executive officer or an employee of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;".

78 Levy

In section 151(1) of the **Fisheries Act 1995**, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

79 Fisheries Act 1995 consequential amendments—Schedule 1

An Act specified in the heading to an item in Schedule 1 is amended, on the commencement of that item, or a provision of that item, as set out in the item or provision.

Division 2—Amendment of Surveillance Devices Act 1999

80 Definitions

In section 3(1) of the **Surveillance Devices Act 1999**—

(a) **insert** the following definition—

"***Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria*** means the body established by section 5 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;";

(b) for paragraph (d) of the definition of ***chief officer*** **substitute**—

"(d) in relation to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—the chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;";

(c) for paragraph (d) of the definition of ***law enforcement agency*** **substitute**—

"(d) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;";

(d) for paragraph (d) of the definition of ***law enforcement officer*** **substitute**—

"(d) in relation to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—

(i) an authorised officer appointed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria under Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**; or

(ii) a person who is seconded to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, including (but not limited to) a member of the police

force or police service (however described) of another jurisdiction;";

(e) for paragraph (d) of the definition of ***senior officer*** **substitute**—

"(d) in relation to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria—the chief executive officer of Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;";

(f) in the definition of ***chief officer***, paragraph (e) is **repealed**;

(g) in the definition of ***law enforcement agency***, paragraph (e) is **repealed**;

(h) in the definition of ***law enforcement officer***, paragraph (e) is **repealed**;

(i) in the definition of ***senior officer***, paragraph (e) is **repealed**.

(j) the definitions of ***Game Management Authority*** and ***Victorian Fisheries Authority*** are **repealed**.

81 Application of Division

In section 25 of the **Surveillance Devices Act 1999**—

(a) in paragraph (a)—

(i) for paragraph (ii) **substitute**—

"(ii) Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;";

(ii) paragraph (ia) is **repealed**;

(b) in paragraph (b), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority, the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

Division 3—Amendment of Wildlife Act 1975

82 Definitions

(1) In section 3(1) of the **Wildlife Act 1975 insert** the following definition—

"***Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria*** means the body established by section 5 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

(2) In section 3(1) of the **Wildlife Act 1975**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***—

(a) for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) a person appointed as an authorised officer under Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;";

(b) paragraph (c) is **repealed**.

(3) In section 3(1) of the **Wildlife Act 1975**, the definition of ***Game Management Authority*** is **repealed**.

83 Wildlife Act 1975 consequential amendments—Schedule 2

An Act specified in the heading to an item in Schedule 2 is amended, on the commencement of that item, or a provision of that item, as set out in the item or provision.

Division 4—Amendment of other Acts

84 Amendment of Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994

In section 3(1) of the **Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***, for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

85 Amendment of Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987

(1) In section 3(1) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***—

(a) for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) appointed by Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria under Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;";

(b) paragraph (c) is **repealed**.

(2) In section 3(1) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987 insert** the following definition—

"***Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria*** means the body established by section 5 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

(3) In section 3(1) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**, the definitions of ***Game Management Authority*** and ***Victorian Fisheries Authority*** are **repealed**.

(4) In section 11(1)(f) of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**—

(a) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) for "that Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

(5) For the notes at the foot of section 83 of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987 substitute**—

"**Note**

The **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026** also provides for the appointment of authorised officers for the purposes of all or any relevant laws—see Part 4 of that Act.".

86 Amendment of Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978

In section 3 of the **Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***—

(a) for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;";

(b) paragraph (c) is **repealed**.

87 Amendment of Environment Protection Act 2017

In section 3(1) of the **Environment Protection Act 2017**, in the definition of ***litter enforcement officer***—

(a) in paragraph (fa), for "Part 3 of the **Game Management Authority Act 2014**" **substitute** "Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**";

(b) in paragraph (g), for "Part 3 of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute** "Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**".

88 Amendment of Firearms Act 1996

(1) In section 153A(6) of the **Firearms Act 1996**—

(a) for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**.";

(b) paragraph (c) is **repealed**.

(2) In section 153C(3) of the **Firearms Act 1996**, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

89 Amendment of Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988

In section 3(1) of the **Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***, for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

90 Amendment of Forests Act 1958

In section 3(1) of the **Forests Act 1958**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***, for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

91 Amendment of Land Act 1958

In section 2A of the **Land Act 1958**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***—

(a) for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;";

(b) paragraph (c) is **repealed**.

92 Amendment of Land Conservation (Vehicle Control) Act 1972

For section 4(c) of the **Land Conservation (Vehicle Control) Act 1972 substitute**—

"(c) by a person appointed as an authorised officer for the purposes of this Act under—

(i) Part 9 of the **Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987**; or

(ii) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**.".

93 Amendment of National Parks Act 1975

In section 3(1) of the **National Parks Act 1975**, in the definition of ***authorised officer***, for paragraph (b) **substitute**—

"(b) Part 4 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**;".

94 Amendment of Public Administration Act 2004

(1) For section 16(1)(kc) of the **Public Administration Act 2004 substitute**—

"(kc) the interim chief executive officer and the chief executive officer in relation to Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria;".

(2) Section 16(1)(kd) of the **Public Administration Act 2004** is **repealed**.

95 Amendment of Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010

In section 29(ga), (gb) and (gc) of the **Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010**, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority within the meaning of that section" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria within the meaning of section 3 of the **Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**".

96 Amendment of Transport (Safety Schemes Compliance and Enforcement) Act 2014

(1) In section 124(2) of the **Transport (Safety Schemes Compliance and Enforcement) Act 2014**, in the definition of ***transport safety officer***, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**".

(2) In the note at the foot of section 124(2) of the **Transport (Safety Schemes Compliance and Enforcement) Act 2014**, for "Victorian **Fisheries Authority Act 2016**, see section 45A of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**, see section 45 of that Act".

(3) In section 126(2) of the **Transport (Safety Schemes Compliance and Enforcement) Act 2014**, in the definition of ***transport safety officer***, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016" substitute "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**".

(4) In the note at the foot of section 126(2) of the **Transport (Safety Schemes Compliance and Enforcement) Act 2014**, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**, see section 45A of the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**" **substitute "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria Act 2026**, see section 45 of that Act".

Division 5—Repeal of this Part

97 Part 8 repealed

This Part is **repealed** on 1 April 2028.

Note

The repeal of this Part does not affect the continuing operation of the amendments made by it (see section 15(1) of the **Interpretation of Legislation Act 1984**).

Schedule 1—Consequential amendment of Fisheries Act 1995

Section 79

1 Fisheries Act 1995

1.1 In section 3A—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Minister, Secretary or Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "the Minister, the Secretary or Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2)—

(i) in paragraph (b), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (c), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.2 In section 13(3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.3 In section 22(2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.4 In section 26(3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.5 In section 32(3) and (4), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.6 In section 34(2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.7 In section 38—

(a) in subsection (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (4), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsections (5) and (7)(d), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.8 In section 39(2)(a), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.9 In section 41—

(a) in subsection (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.10 In section 43—

(a) in subsection (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.11 In section 45—

(a) in subsection (2)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.12 In section 46—

(a) in subsections (1) and (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "he or she" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (5), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.13 In section 49—

(a) in subsections (1) and (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (4), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (5)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsection (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(f) in subsection (8), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(g) in subsection (9), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.14 In section 50(1), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.15 In section 51—

(a) in subsections (1), (2), (3), (3A), (3B) and (3C), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3D), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (4)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (4A)(a) and (b), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsection (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.16 In section 51A(1), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.17 In section 52(1)(a) and (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.18 In section 54—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (1A), (1B) and (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (4), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsections (5) and (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.19 In section 56—

(a) in subsection (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(iii) in paragraph (d), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (4), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsection (6)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(f) in subsection (7), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(g) in subsection (8)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (b)(iii), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.20 In section 57—

(a) in subsections (1), (1A), (2) and (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (6)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsection (7), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(f) in subsection (8), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(g) in subsection (11), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(h) in subsections (12) and (13), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(i) in subsection (14), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.21 In section 57B(2)—

(a) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in paragraph (a), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.22 In the heading to section 58, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.23 In section 58—

(a) in subsection (1)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (a), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (a), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsections (5A) and (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(f) in subsection (7), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.24 In the heading to section 58A, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.25 In section 58A—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.26 In section 59—

(a) in subsection (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsections (4) and (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.27 In section 59A—

(a) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (5)—

(i) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "his or her" **substitute** "the holder's";

(d) in subsection (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.28 In section 60—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.29 In section 60A—

(a) in subsection (2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (4) and (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (7)—

(i) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's";

(e) in subsection (8), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's".

1.30 In section 61—

(a) in subsection (1)(c), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's";

(c) in subsection (5), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.31 In section 64AB(3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.32 In section 65—

(a) in subsection (1), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (4), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.33 In section 65A—

(a) in subsections (1), (2) and (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (4) and (5), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.34 In section 66—

(a) in subsection (4), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (10), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.35 In section 66E(3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.36 In section 66G, for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.37 In section 66H—

(a) in subsection (1), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.38 In section 66J(1), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.39 In section 66K—

(a) in subsections (1) and (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4)—

(i) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsections (6) and (7), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsection (8), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.40 In section 66O(3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.41 In section 66Q(2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.42 In section 66R(2), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.43 In section 72—

(a) in subsections (1), (2), (3), (4) and (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (3) and (5), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.44 In section 81—

(a) in subsections (2), (3), (5) and (6), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (1) and (3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.45 In section 82—

(a) in subsection (1), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (2) and (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3), for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.46 In section 84, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.47 In section 85—

(a) in subsection (3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.48 In section 86, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.49 In section 89(3)(b) and (c), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.50 In section 118B(3)(b), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.51 In section 119(3), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.52 In section 120A(5), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.53 In section 129A(9)—

(a) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.54 In the note at the foot of section 130AA(2)(c)(i), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.55 In section 131P(1), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.56 In section 131W, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.57 In section 134, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.58 In the heading to section 140, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.59 In section 140, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.60 In section 145—

(a) for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.61 In the heading to section 145A, for "**Victorian Fisheries Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.62 In section 145A—

(a) in subsections (1) and (2), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.63 In section 147A(1)(b), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.64 In section 148—

(a) in subsections (2), (3), (4), (9) and (10), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (3) and (6), for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.65 In section 152(5)(c) and (5AA)(b), for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's".

1.66 In section 201, for "The Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.67 In section 202, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.68 In section 203, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.69 In section 208, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.70 In section 211, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.71 In section 212, for "the Victorian Fisheries Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

Schedule 2—Consequential amendment of Wildlife Act 1975

Section 83

1 Wildlife Act 1975

1.1 In section 22—

(a) in subsection (2), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (3)(b)(ii), (3A) and (4), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.2 In section 22A—

(a) in subsection (1), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsections (4A) and (4B), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(e) in subsection (5)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(f) in subsection (6), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(g) in subsection (7A)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(h) in subsection (7B), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(i) in subsection (7C)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** ", Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) **omit** "the Authority is".

1.3 In section 23—

(a) in subsection (1A)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "it";

(b) in subsection (3), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.4 In section 25—

(a) in subsections (2)(b)(i) and (3), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (5), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.5 In the heading to section 25AB, for "**Game Management Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.6 In section 25AB—

(a) in subsection (1)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) **omit** "the Authority is";

(b) in subsections (2), (3) and (4), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.7 In the heading to section 25BA, for "**Game Management Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.8 In section 25BA—

(a) in subsection (1)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) **omit** "the Authority is";

(b) in subsection (3), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.9 In section 25C(1), (3) and (4), for "Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.10 In the heading to section 25DA, for "**the Game Management Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.11 In section 25DA—

(a) in subsection (1)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) **omit** "the Authority is";

(b) in subsection (1A), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (2)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (a), for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(iii) in paragraph (ab), for "the Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (4)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (b), for "the Authority's" **substitute** "its";

(e) in subsection (5), for "the Game Management's Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's";

(f) in subsections (5A) and (6), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.12 In section 28A—

(a) in subsection (1AA), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (1AB)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (2)(ab), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (4), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.13 In section 28D—

(a) in subsection (1A)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" (where first occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(iii) for "the Authority" (where secondly occurring) **substitute** "it";

(b) in subsection (4)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.14 In section 28E(1), (3) and (4), for "Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.15 In section 28F—

(a) in subsection (1A)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsections (2) and (4), for "Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (7), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.16 In section 32(3), (4), (5) and (7), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.17 In section 58C(1A)(d), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.18 In section 58D(d), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.19 In section 58I(1), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.20 In section 58R—

(a) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.21 In section 60D—

(a) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.22 In the heading to section 64, for "**the Game Management Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.23 In section 64(2), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.24 In section 73—

(a) in subsections (1) and (2)(b), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's".

1.25 In section 74, for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.26 In section 74A, for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.27 In section 74B—

(a) in subsection (3), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (4), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.28 In section 74C—

(a) in subsection (1A)—

(i) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) in paragraph (a), for "the Game Management Authority's" **substitute** "its";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.29 In section 74D(1) and (4), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.30 In section 74E(1), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.31 In section 74F(2), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.32 In section 74G(1) and (2), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.33 In section 74L—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(d) in subsection (4), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.34 In section 74N(1), for "Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.35 In the heading to section 74OA, for "**Game Management Authority's**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's**".

1.36 In section 74OA—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Game Management Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.37 In section 74P—

(a) in subsection (1A), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2)(a)(ii), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3)—

(i) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(ii) for "the Authority's" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria's";

(d) in subsection (5)(b)(ii), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.38 In section 74Q(2)—

(a) for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.39 In the heading to section 74RA, for "**the Game Management Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.40 In section 74RA—

(a) in subsection (1), for "The Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2), for "the Game Management Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.41 In the heading to section 74SA, for "**Game Management Authority**" **substitute** "**Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria**".

1.42 In section 74SA—

(a) in subsection (1), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(b) in subsection (2)—

(i) in paragraph (a), for "Chairperson" **substitute** "chairperson";

(ii) for "the Game Management Authority" (wherever occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria";

(c) in subsection (3), for "The Game Management Authority must ensure that members of staff of the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and

Outdoor Victoria must ensure that its members of staff".

1.43 In section 74T, for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.44 In section 74U(b)(ii), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.45 In section 86A(1A), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.46 In section 86C(1), for "the Game Management Authority" (where twice occurring) **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

1.47 In section 87(1)(ah)(ii) and (7), for "the Game Management Authority" **substitute** "Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria".

Endnotes

1 General information

See www.legislation.vic.gov.au for Victorian Bills, Acts and current authorised versions of legislation and up-to-date legislative information.

† *Minister's second reading speech—*

Legislative Assembly: 2 April 2026

Legislative Council: 5 June 2026

The long title for the Bill for this Act was "A Bill for an Act to establish Fishing, Hunting and Outdoor Victoria, to establish the Land and Aquatic Access Panel, to repeal the **Game Management Authority Act 2014** and the **Victorian Fisheries Authority Act 2016**, to make consequential amendments to other Acts and for other purposes."