1. On 12 October 2017, the Premier and Minister for the Arts introduced the Local Government Electoral (Implementing Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 (the Belcarra Bill 2017). The Belcarra Bill 2017 lapsed with the dissolution of the 55th Parliament.
2. Consistent with the Belcarra Bill 2017, the Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (the Belcarra Bill 2018) proposes amendments to implement the Government’s response to recommendations 20 and 23 to 26 of the Crime and Corruption Commission report *Operation Belcarra: A blueprint for integrity and addressing corruption risk in local government* (Belcarra Report) to:
   * ban donations from property developers for candidates, third parties, political parties and Councillors; and
   * strengthen the process associated with the declaration and management of Councillor conflicts of interest and penalties for non-compliance.
3. The ban on donations from property developers will be extended to Members of State Parliament.
4. The Belcarra Bill 2018 includes transitional provisions for the property developer donations prohibition to apply from 12 October 2017, the date the Belcarra Bill 2017 was introduced into the Legislative Assembly. Under the transitional provisions, any payments that are unlawful under the developer donations prohibition which were made on or after 12 October 2017 will, on commencement, need to be repaid to the donor within 30 days of the commencement.
5. Cabinet approved that the Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly.
6. *Attachments*

* [Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)