EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT STANDARD 2005 (No 5) DISALLOWABLE INSTRUMENT NO DI2005-71

Public Sector Management Act 1994

Legislative Context

The *Public Sector Management Act 1994* (the Act) regulates the management of the public sector and, in particular, section 251 of the Act empowers the Commissioner, with the written approval of the Chief Minister, to make Public Sector Management Standards (the Standards) for the purposes of the Act.

Sections 251(6) and (7) of the Act also provides that the Chief Minister can give a general approval for the making of Standards by the Commissioner for specified purposes. The purposes currently specified include amendments that are consistent with a policy direction previously endorsed by Government and changes of a technical nature, which do not include any significant policy changes, such as changes to clarify existing Standards, updating allowances and correcting typographical errors.

Outline

The Commissioner makes these amendments to the Standards in accordance with parameters agreed to by the Chief Minister under sections 251(6) and (7) of the Act.

There are four minor technical amendments.

The first amendment to Standard 2 (Part 3 Rule 2), (Part 4, Rule 3) (Part 11, Rule 1) clarifies that the name of the Program under section 40 of the Act, is the Equal Employment Opportunity Program.

The second amendment to Standard 2, Part 11, Division 11.1, Rules 1 and 3 corrects minor typographical errors to refer to 4(a) and 4(b), as elements of the Program set in Rule 3 of Standard 2, Part 11, Division 11.1.

The third amendment to Standard 2, Part 11, Division 11.1, Rule 4 clarifies that it can be any employment register provided by an employment service, and is not limited to a temporary employment register.

The fourth amendment to Standard 2 (Part 4 Rule 3) makes minor grammatical changes to replace certain semi-colons with commas.

Financial Impact

Nil