

# Corrections Management (Official Visitor) Appointment 2011 (No 1)

**Disallowable instrument DI2011– 54**

made under the

**Corrections Management Act 2007, section 57(1) (Official Visitors- Appointment)**

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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This instrument reappoints Mr Jeremy Boland as an official visitor for a period commencing on 15 February 2011 and ending on 30 June 2011. The maximum permitted term of appointment is three years. Consultation has occurred with the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety in relation to the appointment.

The instrument has retrospective application to the day after the cessation of Mr Boland's previous appointment and commences from 15 February 2011. The appointment will not adversely affect any person's rights and does not impose liabilities on a person.

The appointment of an official visitor is provided for under section 57 of the *Corrections Management Act 2007*. Under that section, the Minister must appoint at least one person who possesses suitable qualifications or experience to exercise the functions of an official visitor. The Minister must not appoint a public employee as an official visitor. Mr Boland is not a public employee.

Mr Boland has a wealth of experience working with people from diverse backgrounds, including people experiencing disadvantage and incarceration. He has worked as a community development facilitator, youth homelessness services manager and community services and development executive manager. In addition, Mr Boland has been employed as a commercial lawyer and in a number of legal research positions.

Mr Boland has undertaken studies in law and international relations, and is currently undertaking a doctorate in juridical science. He demonstrates a sound understanding of the correctional environment. Mr Boland also demonstrates a good understanding of the *Human Rights Act 2004* and of the processes for resolving grievances associated with human rights.

As Mr Boland has indicated a preference only to perform the role for a short further period, this reappointment will cease to have effect on 30 June 2011.