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## Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 (Section 12)

### NOTICE OF DECISION

#### Family Violence Protection (Information Sharing) Regulations 2018

I, Gavin Jennings, Special Minister of State, responsible for administering Part 5A of the **Family Violence Protection Act 2008**, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** (Act) of my decision to make the proposed Family Violence Protection (Information Sharing) Regulations 2017 (the proposed Regulations).

A Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) was prepared in relation to the proposed Regulations. The RIS was advertised in the Government Gazette and The Age seeking public comment. The 28 day consultation period commenced on 15 September 2017 and ended on 13 October 2017. In response, 12 submissions on the proposed Regulations were received.

After consideration of these submissions in accordance with section 11 of the Act, I give notice of my intention to proceed with the making of the Regulations with the following amendments:

- (a) In the consultation draft, regulations 5 and 6 set out the prescribed information sharing entities and risk assessment entities under Part 5A of the **Family Violence Protection Act 2008**. These have been amended to clarify who will be prescribed.
- (b) In the consultation draft, regulation 9 applied the record keeping obligations set out in Part 3 of the proposed Regulations to specified information sharing entities. In recognition that information may be shared in meetings, regulation 9(2) has been added to clarify that Part 3 of the proposed Regulations does not apply to an information sharing entity if that information sharing entity reasonably believes that another information sharing entity has made a record of the prescribed information.
- (c) In the consultation draft, regulations 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 set out the record keeping obligations that would apply to information sharing entities when sharing information under Part 5A of the **Family Violence Protection Act 2008**. These obligations have been streamlined and simplified.
- (d) There have also been some minor formatting changes.

Dated 5 February 2018

GAVIN JENNINGS MLC  
Special Minister of State

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