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ASSEMBLY

Health Regulations (Maternal Health Information) Act 1998

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Subordinate Law No. 15 of 1999

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Outline

Section 16 of the *Health Regulations (Maternal Health Information) Act 1998* (the Act) provides that the Executive may make regulations for the purposes of the Act.

The Maternal Health Information Regulations support the Act. They provide for matters required or permitted to be prescribed in regulations made under the Act.

The Maternal Health Information Regulations provide for the preparation of a comprehensive and accessible pamphlet of information for women who are contemplating an abortion.

Notes on Clauses

Clause 1 – Name of Regulations

Clause 1 is a formal clause setting out the name of the regulation

Clause 2 – Commencement

Clause 2 is a formal clause dealing with the commencement arrangements.

Clause 3 – Definitions

Clause 3 sets out definitions used in the Regulations.

Clause 4 – Content a current pamphlet

Clause 4 sets out the material to be included in the pamphlet.

Clause 5 – Current pamphlet must be made available

Clause 5 requires that the responsible minister must ensure that the pamphlet must be made available, free of charge, in accordance with section 8 of the Act and to any member of the public.

Schedule

The **Schedule** sets out the information on foetal development to be included in the pamphlet in the absence of any material approved by the Advisory Panel under subsection 14(4) of the Act.