## Radiation Protection and Control Act 1982 Public consultation



The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has undertaken a review of the *Radiation Protection and Control Act* 1982 (the Act). Proposed amendments to the Act have been prepared. The <u>draft Radiation Protection and Control Bill</u> 2013 (the Bill) and accompanying <u>explanatory report</u> are now available for public consultation.

The Act regulates activities involving radiation sources and provides for the protection of people and the environment from the harmful effects of radiation. The draft Bill seeks to update administrative and enforcement provisions which have not been reviewed since the Act's commencement in 1982.

In addition, national commitments have been made via the Australian Health Ministers' Conference and the Council of Australian Governments to implement a uniform national framework for radiation protection. The main national initiatives that require implementation under the Act are the *National Directory for Radiation Protection* and the national *Code of Practice for Security of Radioactive Sources*. The draft Bill seeks to implement these initiatives South Australia.

Feedback on the draft Bill will be accepted until 30 November 2013. Submissions can be made via email to <a href="mailto:epainfo@epa.sa.gov.au">epainfo@epa.sa.gov.au</a> (subject: RPC Bill submissions) or via post to:

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A public information session will be held at 6 pm on Wednesday 6 November 2013 at the Grand Chancellor Hotel on Hindley Street, Adelaide. If you wish to attend please RSVP to Michelle Marron on 8204 2006 or <a href="mailto:epainfo@epa.sa.gov.au">epainfo@epa.sa.gov.au</a> (subject: RSVP RPC Bill). Individual meetings can also be arranged upon request.

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