

South Australian Boards and Committees Interim Report

October 2014

On 30 October South Australian Premier the Hon Jay Weatherill MP announced the final results of the State Government boards and committees audit. As a result of the audit, 107 will boards and committees will be abolished, with a further 17 boards to be merged, 62 subject to other reforms, 120 reclassified and 33 to remain under considered. A total of 90 boards, less than one in four, will be retained without reform or reclassification.

The Government has tabled the *Statutes Amendment (Boards and Committees-Abolition and Reform) Bill 2014* in the Parliament to give effect to the reforms.

The consolidation process, which forms part of the whole-of-Government audit, is aimed at improving access to South Australian Government decision makers and reducing red tape. The reforms to Boards and Committees are expected to save at least \$5.5 million over the forward estimates.

These decisions follow on from the South Australian Government's Board and Committees Interim Report released in 22 September 2014. The Interim Report proposed the abolition of 105 State Government boards and committees, with a further 194 to be reformed, merged or reclassified.

Changes to categories (from Interim to Final Report)

Category	Interim Report	+	-	Final Report
Abolish	105	+7	-5	107
Merge	18	+1	-2	17
Other Reform	59	+11	-8	62
Further Investigation	58	+5	-30	33
Reclassify	117	+4	-1	120
Retain	72	+18		90
TOTAL	429	44	44	429

The full report, which details the impact of the audit on all 429 South Australian boards and committees is available [here](#).

The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the Interim Report is available [here](#).

The interim report is available [here](#).

The draft legislation is available [here](#).