

WA New Procurement Debarment Regime

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On Tuesday 9 June 2020, the Hon Ben Wyatt, Treasurer, Minister for Finance and Aboriginal Affairs and Lands announced the McGowan Government is progressing Australia's first debarment regime. It aims to improve business practices and provide the Government power to suspend or debar suppliers to enhance integrity in procurement.

The Treasurer's Statement is available [here](#).

The regime forms part of the State Government's broader work to reform procurement practices to ensure government contracting is open, fair and transparent.

The new regime could be used to prevent suppliers convicted of fraud, bribery or corruption from doing business with government. Suppliers would be allowed a right of response and independent review of any decision.

The regime will be supported by the Procurement Bill 2020, which was introduced to State Parliament by the Minister for Finance in May 2020.

A debarment regime that applies to all types of procurement will be unique to WA

Industry and the public are invited to provide written feedback on the draft debarment regime before 27 July 2020 to the Procurement Reform Team at procurementreform@finance.wa.gov.au

Further information

Further information is available [here](#)

The Draft - Western Australian Debarment Regime can be found [here](#)

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