# SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ORGANISATION OF SAMOA AMENDMENT BILL 2014

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### Explanatory Memorandum

#### **Introduction**

The Bill seeks to amend the principal Act to allow the Scientific Research Organisation of Samoa to undertake testing of narcotics and food.

#### **Clauses:**

Clause 1:	-	states that, when enacted, the Bill will be			
		called	the	Scientific	Research
		Organisa	ndment Act		
		2014. It will commence on the date it is			
		assented to by the Head of State.			

- <u>Clause 2</u>: amends section 4 to include analysis of narcotics and environment impact assessments as objectives of the Organisation.
- **<u>Clause 3</u>:** amends section 5 to include analysis of narcotics as a function of the Organisation including carrying out of food analysis and testing, and environment impact assessment also as a function of the Organisation.

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Arrangement of Provisions

Short title and commencement
Section 4 amended

3. Section 5 amended

2014, No.

# A BILL INTITULED

# AN ACT to amend the Scientific Research Organisation of Samoa Act 2008 ("principal Act").

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Legislative Assembly of Samoa in Parliament assembled as follows:

**1.** Short title and commencement-(1) This Act may be cited as the Scientific Research Organisation of Samoa Amendment Act 2014.

(2) This Act commences on the date of assent by the Head of State.

#### 2. Section 4 amended - In section 4 of the principal Act:

- (a) for the full stop at the end of paragraph (e) substitute a semi-colon; and
- (b) after paragraph (e) insert:

- "(f) to conduct analysis of narcotics or precursors for the purposes of investigations and prosecution of offences; and
- (g) to undertake environment impact assessments.".
- 3. Section 5 amended In section 5 of the principal Act:

(a) in subsection (1):

(i) after paragraph (a)(iv) insert:

"(v) conducting analysis of narcotics or precursors for the purposes of investigations and prosecution of offences; and"; and

(ii) for the full stop at the end of paragraph (g) substitute "; and";(iii) after paragraph (g), insert:

- "(h) to carry out environment impact assessments."; and
- (b) after subsection (3) insert:

"(4) The Organisation may:

- (a) carry out food analysis and testing required under any food legislation or other enactment; and
- (b) issue reports or certificates regarding food analysis and testing under paragraph (a).".