Sale of Goods (Vienna Convention) Bill EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 states the purpose of the Act.

Clause 2 states when each Part of the Act is to come into operation.

Clause 3 provides a definition for "Convention".

Clause 4 sets out how the Act is to bind the Crown.

Clause 5 states that the Convention has the force of law in Victoria.

Clause 6 sets out how the Convention is to apply in the event of inconsistency with any law in force in Victoria.

Clause 7 sets out how evidence of certain matters can be established.

Clause 8 makes amendments to the Instruments Act 1958 about agreements which can only be enforced if in writing.

Clause 9 removes the requirement from the *Goods Act* 1958 about the formalities which must be satisfied to enforce a contract to which that Act applies.