1. In a pre-election commitment, the Government committed to ‘introduce tough new unexplained wealth and drug trafficker declarations to target the ill-gotten gains of drug criminals’.
2. The Criminal Proceeds Confiscation (Unexplained Wealth and Serious Drug Offender Confiscation Order) Amendment Bill 2012:
* amends the *Criminal Proceeds Confiscation Act 2002* and the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1992* to introduce a drug trafficking declaration scheme in the form of a serious drug offender confiscation order scheme; and
* amends the *Criminal Proceeds Confiscation Act 2002* to include ‘unexplained wealth’ laws that provide that if the State can prove on the balance of probabilities that there is a reasonable suspicion that an individual has been involved in serious criminal activity or acquired serious derived property and any of the person’s wealth was acquired unlawfully, then the onus moves to that individual to prove the legitimacy of their assets.
1. The Bill also makes other unrelated amendments to enhance the operation of the *Criminal Proceeds Confiscation Act 2002*.
2. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Criminal Proceeds Confiscation (Unexplained Wealth and Serious Drug Offender Confiscation Order) Amendment Bill 2012 into the Legislative Assembly.
3. *Attachments:*
* [Criminal Proceeds Confiscation (Unexplained Wealth and Serious Drug Offender Confiscation Order) Amendment Bill 2012](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.pdf)