

## Adrian Pederick MP

Member for Hammond

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### Work Health & Safety (Notification of Next of Kin) Bill Introduced to Parliament



Member for Hammond, Adrian Pederick was honoured to be introducing the Work Health & Safety (Notification of Next of Kin) Bill on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2017 in memory of livestock transporter, Alan Carter.

“The Bill amends the Work Health and Safety Act 2012, by implementing the duty to notify the next of kin when a prescribed medical incident occurs at a business’ premises,” said Mr Pederick.

“I introduced this Bill to the Parliament after meeting with the family members of Mr Alan Carter, who unfortunately were not notified of a workplace accident involving Mr Carter.

“Mr Carter passed away without the opportunity to have the presence of his loved ones in his final hours. The inability to

say goodbye to a loved one in the final moments of one’s life is morally unjust, and this led to Alan’s family contacting me in an attempt to prevent these circumstances from reoccurring.

“This Bill will enable the requirement for a business owner to take all reasonable actions to notify the next of kin, immediately after becoming aware of a prescribed medical incident, by the fastest means possible.

“The Livestock and Rural Transporters Association of South Australia also fully support the implementation of this Bill and feel it is a step in the right direction.

“The Bill has now been introduced in the State Parliament and I trust the State Government will see the validity of its introduction and I am hopeful it will have a speedy passage through the Parliament.