

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989**  
**SECTION 186**

**APPROVAL OF ARRANGEMENTS**

I, Richard Wynne MP, Minister for Local Government approve 'Whole of Government' State Purchase Contracts as arrangements for the purposes of section 186(5)(c) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act)

This approval is granted in the following manner

- Councils and regional library corporations wishing to procure goods and services under State Purchase Contracts must adhere to the rules associated with the individual State Purchase Contracts
- In accessing State Purchase Contracts, councils and regional library corporations will be subject to the 'Fair Payments Policy' under which all invoices must be paid within 30 days of their receipt (or as long a period as allowed under an individual State Purchase Contract)

I give this approval for the following reasons –

- a) State Purchase Contracts are established for use by State Government Departments and Agencies and represent 'good value',
- b) State Purchase Contracts are established following a rigorous open and transparent public tendering process within the meaning of section 186 of the Act, and
- c) giving the local government sector access to State Purchase Contracts will enable councils and regional library corporations to take advantage of the savings that will flow through their access



**RICHARD WYNNE MP**  
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Date 1 / 18 / 2009