

**14. Minister to have access to information**

- (1) This section applies to the Board, the Council and colleges.
- (2) The Minister is entitled —
  - (a) to have information in the possession of a body to which this section applies; and
  - (b) where the information is in or on a document, to have, and make and retain copies of, that document.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1) the Minister may —
  - (a) request a body to which this section applies to furnish information to the Minister; or
  - (b) request a body to which this section applies to give the Minister access to information.
- (4) A body to which this section applies is to comply with a request under subsection (3).
- (5) In this section —
  - “**document**” includes any tape, disc or other device or medium on which information is recorded or stored;
  - “**information**” means information specified, or of a description specified, by the Minister that relates to the functions of a body to which this section applies.