

**INDIGENOUS HOUSING FUND — ESTABLISHMENT**

*Notice of Motion*

**Hon Shelley Archer** gave notice that at the next sitting of the house she would move —

That this house —

- (1) Accepts and underlines the pre-eminence of the “Inquiry into the Response by Government Agencies to Complaints of Family Violence and Child Abuse in Aboriginal Communities”—the Gordon inquiry—and the need for an effective and speedy response from government.
- (2) Acknowledges the importance of the finding by the Gordon inquiry that the provision of adequate housing is a key factor in reducing pressure on families and hence reducing family violence and child abuse.
- (3) Recognises that, to date, well-intentioned policies implemented by successive governments to provide decent housing in Indigenous communities have failed and a new approach is required.
- (4) Stresses the urgency of the needs of Aboriginal communities.
- (5) Urges the government to establish an Indigenous housing fund to be administered by a board of trustees for the benefit of Indigenous communities, with the trustees to be appointed on the basis of their business, community and policy skills and their expertise and standing in the community.
- (6) Requests the government —
  - (a) allocate a minimum of \$150 million to support the Indigenous housing fund in the first three years of its operation; and
  - (b) establish clear and meaningful outcomes to be met by the trustees in the administration of the fund, but otherwise allow innovation and freedom from bureaucratic restrictions in the achievement of those outcomes.