

MAINTENANCE AND CHAMPERTY

**622. Hon DONNA FARAGHER to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General:**

I ask this question on behalf of Hon Nick Goiran who is away on urgent parliamentary business. I refer to the torts of maintenance and champerty.

- (1) Is the Attorney General aware of the Law Reform Commission's latest report on this issue?
- (2) Will he table the report in this house?
- (3) Are there any of the report's recommendations that the government does not intend to implement?
- (4) If yes to (3), which ones?
- (5) Will he table the most recent briefing note or any similar document that he has received relating to this report?

**Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of the question asked on behalf of Hon Nick Goiran.

**Hon Alannah MacTiernan:** And for correctly pronouncing that very difficult word!

**Hon Donna Faragher:** What can I say!

**Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN:** I cannot guarantee that I will continue to pronounce it correctly.

I provide the following answer on behalf of the Attorney General.

- (1)–(2) The Attorney General tabled the Law Reform Commission of Western Australia's final report, *Project 110 final report: maintenance and champerty in Western Australia* in the Legislative Assembly on 11 August 2021. Due to an oversight, this report has not been tabled in the Legislative Council. I apologise for this oversight and I table the report now.

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- (3)–(4) The honourable member may be aware that recommendation 1 of the project 110 final report will be implemented through the Civil Procedure (Representative Proceedings) Bill 2021, which was introduced in the other place on 18 August 2021. Recommendations 2 and 3 are under consideration by government and these considerations will be influenced by whether the Civil Procedure (Representative Proceedings) Bill is passed by Parliament.
- (5) The Attorney General has not received a recent briefing note or similar document relating to this report.