## Legislative Council



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## Legislation Committee: Inquiry into Mining Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 – Hearings in April 2016

The Standing Committee on Legislation has announced the commencement of an inquiry into the Mining Legislation Amendment Bill 2015. The Committee is empowered to inquire into and report on the policy of the Bill. The Bill makes changes to the environmental regulatory framework and approvals of mining activities within the State.

The Committee has invited written submissions from interested parties on matters relating to the scope, purpose, policy and structure of the Bill. Submissions must be lodged with the Committee by 4.00pm on Thursday, 24 March 2016. Requests for all or part of a submission to be kept private must be made at the time of submission.

Written information about the form and content of submissions can be obtained from the Committee Office or viewed on the Parliament's website at <a href="www.parliament.wa.gov.au">www.parliament.wa.gov.au</a> (Choose Committees / Legislative Council Guide to Making Submissions to a Parliamentary Committee).

The Committee will be holding hearings in Perth on Monday, 4 April 2016. The Committee will be travelling to Kalgoorlie to hold hearings on Monday, 11 April 2016. If you are interested in appearing before the Committee, please contact Mr David Driscoll to advise of your interest by 4.00pm on Thursday, 24 March 2016.

Inquiries to Mr David Driscoll, Parliamentary Officer (Committees) on (08) 9222 7404.

For media inquiries, contact Hon Robyn McSweeney MLC, Chair on 0407 611 957.

Further information regarding the committee is available at <a href="www.parliament.wa.gov.au/leg">www.parliament.wa.gov.au/leg</a>.

Hon Robyn McSweeney MLC Chair