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## **Report 40**

### **STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

*Terms of Reference: Inquiry into innovation in Western Australia*

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Presented by  
Hon Pierre Yang MLC (Chair)  
November 2023

## **Standing Committee on Public Administration**

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# 1 Reference and procedure

## Inquiry pursuant to Standing Order 179

- 1.1 On 29 November 2023, the Standing Committee on Public Administration resolved to establish an inquiry into innovation in Western Australia.
- 1.2 The Committee will inquire into and report on Western Australia's innovation ecosystem, with reference to:
  - a) the current state of the innovation ecosystem
  - b) the role of the Western Australian government in supporting entrepreneurship, start-ups, and small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs)
  - c) any other matters that the Committee considers relevant.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Yang', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Hon Pierre Yang MLC  
**Chair**



## Standing Committee on Public Administration

### Date first appointed:

17 August 2005

### Terms of Reference:

The following is an extract from Schedule 1 of the Legislative Council Standing Orders:

#### '5. Public Administration Committee

5.1 A *Public Administration Committee* is established.

5.2 The Committee consists of 5 Members.

5.3 The functions of the Committee are to —

- (a) inquire into and report on —
  - (i) the structure, efficiency and effectiveness of the system of public administration;
  - (ii) the extent to which the principles of procedural fairness are embodied in any practice or procedure applied in decision making;
  - (iii) the existence, adequacy, or availability, of merit and judicial review of administrative acts or decisions; and
  - (iv) any Bill or other matter relating to the foregoing functions referred by the Council;
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- (b) consult regularly with the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations, the Public Sector Commissioner, the Information Commissioner, the Inspector of Custodial Services, and any similar officer.

5.4 The Committee is not to make inquiry with respect to —

- (a) the constitution, function or operations of the Executive Council;
- (b) the Governor's Establishment;
- (c) the constitution and administration of Parliament;
- (d) the judiciary;
- (e) a decision made by a person acting judicially;
- (f) a decision made by a person to exercise, or not exercise, a power of arrest or detention; or
- (g) the merits of a particular case or grievance that is not received as a petition.'



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