

Standing Committee on Legislation

Media Statement

Inquiry into the Acts Amendment (Consent to Medical Treatment) Bill 2006

The Standing Committee on Legislation has held the first meeting of its inquiry into the Acts Amendment (Consent to Medical Treatment) Bill 2006.

The Standing Committee has set down the following key dates for the inquiry:

- 12 September 2007 - advertisement for public submissions in *The West Australian*.
- 19 September 2007 - public hearing with Government witnesses.
- 21 September 2007 - closing date for public submissions.
- 26 September 2007 - tentative date for public hearings.
- 18 October 2007 - report to the Legislative Council.

A submission must be in writing and be confined to matters of interpretation of the Bill as drafted, or the likely or possible extent and application of its provisions. The Standing Committee is unable to examine the policy of the Bill, as this was agreed to by the Legislative Council on 5 September 2007.

Interested members of the public are invited to make submissions. Anyone interested in speaking to the Committee should indicate this in their submission. Guidance on the presentation of submissions can be obtained from the parliamentary website at: www.parliament.wa.gov.au or the Committee Clerk, Mr Mark Warner, 9222 7410.

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