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CORONAVIRUS — GOVERNMENT RESPONSE — REVIEW

132. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

Noting that in the first instance this question was directed to the Minister for Health and then redirected, I will just read the question as it was originally presented.

I refer to the minister's joint media statement made with the Premier on 19 January 2023, in which the minister announced the appointment of three people to review the state's COVID-19 pandemic management and response. The media statement stated, "Consultation with public sector agencies and other stakeholders, including peak industry and community organisations, will be a critical part of the review process".

- (1) Is the minister aware that community support—specifically, community engagement—is expressly listed as one of the aspects of the state's COVID-19 response to be considered in the terms of reference?
- (2) Will members of the general public be consulted?
- (3) Is the minister aware that petition 49 sought for all health advice and modelling used to justify each state of emergency declaration to be tabled in Parliament?
- (4) Will the minister provide all health advice and modelling to the three-person review?
- (5) If no to (2) or (4), why not?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes. This is stated in the independent review's terms of reference, which have previously been tabled in the house.
- (2) Yes. Members of the public can make written submissions to the review.
- (3)–(5) Any requests for information from the independent reviewers will be considered.