

Hon Tjorn Sibma MLC Member for North Metropolitan Region

Hon. Peter Foster MLC Chair, Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs C/o Legislative Council Committee Office Parliament House, 4 Harvest Terrace, West Perth WA 6005

Dear Chair, Rter

Submission regarding Petition No 055 – Local Government Reform Process

Thank you for your letter of 12 August 2022, inviting me to provide a submission in support of the above-mentioned petition that I tabled in the house on 9 August.

The principal grievance articulated in the petition concerns a perceived lack of consultation with the broader community concerning the details of the proposed large scale changes to the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Noting the breadth of proposed changes and the Minister's claim that the reforms herald the most significant amendment to the Act in 25 years, the petitioners' request that a 'Green Bill' be tabled does not strike me as a suggestion that should be lightly dismissed.

Yours sincerely

Hon Tjorn Sibma MLC

Tabling member

12 September 2022