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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

The Local Projects Local Jobs Program and the establishment of a Parliamentary Budget Office - Extension of time

Presented by Hon Tjorn Sibma MLC (Chair) May 2020

Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations

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Extension of time

- 1.1 On 11 May 2020 the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations (Committee) resolved to seek a short extension of time with respect to its reporting date for the inquiry into the Government's Local Projects Local Jobs Program and the establishment of a Parliamentary Budget Office.
- 1.2 The current reporting date for the Committee's inquiry is 21 May 2020.
- 1.3 The Committee is in the final stages of completing its report to the Council and requires a short extension of time in order to conclude and discharge its reporting obligations with respect to each of the two lines of inquiry referred to the Committee.
- 1.4 The Committee therefore requests an extension of its reporting date from 21 May 2020 to 25 June 2020.

Hon Tjorn Sibma MLC

Chair



Inquiry into the Government's Local Projects Local Jobs Program

Date first appointed:

5 December 2018

Terms of Reference:

- (1) The Estimates and Financial Operations Committee shall conduct an inquiry into the Government's Local Projects, Local Jobs program.
- (2) The Committee is to inquire into the Local Projects Local Jobs program ("the program") with particular reference to the following
 - (a) how each project was developed, evaluated and selected for funding;
 - (b) how payments were made and acquitted under each project to ensure financial probity and accountability;
 - (c) how actual or perceived conflicts of interest were declared and managed under each project;
 - (d) the number of projects funded and for each project the amount of funding provided and number of jobs created;
 - (e) whether community, education, arts and sporting groups within the State were afforded an equal opportunity to access the program;
 - (f) whether funding to the program affected the quantum of funds available for grants or other funding sources for community, education, arts and sporting groups within the State and if so in what way; and
 - (g) any other related matter.
- (3) The Committee is to also inquire into the establishment of a Parliamentary Budget Office for the independent costing of election promises and related purposes.
- (4) For the purposes of this inquiry only, the Hon Tjorn Sibma is appointed Chair of the Committee and the Hon Alanna Clohesy is appointed Deputy Chair.
- (5) The Committee is to report no later than twelve months after the referral.



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