JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE COMMISSIONER FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

24 October 2012

Hon Barry House, MLC
The President
Legislative Council of Western Australia
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr President

REFERRAL OF MATTERS TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

I hereby advise that at a meeting on 24 October 2012 the Joint Standing Committee on the Commissioner for Children and Young People resolved the following:

Pursuant to section 19 (1) of the Commissioner for Children and Young People Act 2006 the Joint Standing Committee for the Commissioner for Children and Young People refers to the Commissioner for Children and Young People the following matters, insofar as they may be relevant to the sexualisation of children, for consideration, and requests the Commissioner to make recommendations as to any specific actions required to be taken by the Government of Western Australia in relation to these matters in order to better secure the wellbeing of children and young people in Western Australia:

Written laws
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Act 1996
Criminal Code, Chapter XXV

Reports

Commonwealth Parliament, Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, *Review of the National Classification Scheme: Achieving the Right Balance* (June 2011)


**Practices, procedures and other matters**

Outdoor advertising, particularly billboards

Use of children in advertising

Marketing of sexualized products to children

Education of children

The Committee has requested that the Commissioner for Children and Young People provide her considerations and recommendations by close of business on Friday 11 January 2013.

The Committee will table its report on this referral in January 2013.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

HON DR ELIZABETH CONSTABLE, MLA
CHAIRMAN