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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES

A matter of privilege raised by Hon Jim Chown MLC – Terms of reference

Presented by
Hon Kate Doust (Chair)

August 2018
Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges

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1.1 On Wednesday, 15 August 2018 the Procedure and Privileges Committee ("the PPC") met to consider the referral from the President pursuant to Standing Order 93(5) in relation to a matter of privilege raised by Hon Jim Chown MLC on Thursday, 28 June 2018.

1.2 The PPC has resolved the following terms of reference:

In relation to the answer to Legislative Council question without notice No. 329 asked by Hon Jim Chown, and answered on Wednesday, 9 May 2018 by the Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Sue Ellery:

(1) Did Hon Darren West commit a contempt of the Council?

(2) Did any other person commit a contempt of the Council?

1.3 The PPC hereby acquaints the Legislative Council accordingly.

Hon Kate Doust MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Procedure and Privileges

Date first appointed:
24 May 2001

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The following is an extract from Schedule 1 of the Legislative Council Standing Orders:

'1. Procedure and Privileges Committee

1.1 A Procedure and Privileges Committee is established.

1.2 The Committee consists of 5 Members, including the President and the Chair of Committees, and any Members co-opted by the Committee whether generally or in relation to a particular matter. The President is the Chair, and the Chair of Committees is the Deputy Chair, of the Committee.

1.3 With any necessary modifications, Standing Order 163 applies to a co-opted Member.

1.4 The Committee is to keep under review the law and custom of Parliament, the rules of procedure of the Council and its Committees, and recommend to the Council such alterations in that law, custom, or rules that, in its opinion, will assist or improve the proper and orderly transaction of the business of the Council or its Committees.'