

## Hon Reece Whitby MLA Minister for Environment; Climate Action; Racing & Gaming

Our Reference:

79-11060

## HON RITA SAFFIOTI MLA TREASURER

## TABLING IN PARLIAMENT – DELAY FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF BIODIVERSITY, CONSERVATION AND ATTRACTIONS 2022–23 ANNUAL REPORT

In accordance with Section 65 of the *Financial Management Act 2006* (FMA), I wish to advise that I will not be able to table in Parliament the 2022-23 annual report for the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) within the prescribed 90-day period after the end of the 2022-23 financial year (i.e. by 28 September 2023), as required under section 64(1) of the FMA.

The DBCA 2022-23 annual report and the opinion of the Auditor General will not be ready for tabling because of the loss of seven days preparation time as a result of the last sitting date of Parliament in September 2023 being 21 September. The alternate tabling provisions of the FMA are unable to be effectively utilised in this circumstance.

It is anticipated the annual report will be tabled in both Houses of Parliament on the next sitting date of 10 October 2023.

I hereby request that the Treasurer cause the tabling of this notice in both Houses of Parliament no later than 21 September 2023.

Reece Whitby MLA

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT

05 SEP 2023