

Tuesday, 27 September 2022 11.00 am

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

New Member for Pembroke will be seated beyond the Bar of the Council.

Acknowledgement of Traditional People.

Prayers

Tabling of Writ.

New Member is sworn.

Statement by the President: Welcome new Member.

Petitions

Notice of Question.

Notice of Motion.

Answers to Questions.

Tabling of Papers.

Message from Government House.

Special Interest Matters.

President invites Members to speak on the Passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Notice of Motion No. 6 and Order of the Day No. 1

- 6 Ms Webb to move That the Legislative Council —
- (1) Notes the recent review of the Tasmania Law Reform Institute (TLRI) undertaken by an independent Review Panel, and the *Review of the Tasmania Law Reform Institute Final Report June 2022*, released on 20 July 2022;
- (2) welcomes the findings of the independent review, in particular:
 - (a) its observation that all submissions "strongly supported preserving the Tasmania Law Reform Institute (TLRI) given its current positive impact on the broader Tasmanian community"; and
 - (b) the Report's emphasis on the important contribution made by the TLRI to public policy debate in Tasmania;
- (3) notes the 20 recommendations made to the TLRI Founding Partners in the review's Final Report;

- (4) further notes the review Final Report's clear assessment of the urgent need to place the TLRI on a sustainable footing, as the current lack of financial and staffing resources has resulted in work on four references ceasing, "as has all other work such as engaging with law reform bodies in other jurisdictions, contributing to inquiries, commenting on draft legislation and engaging students in law reform projects";
- (5) acknowledges the high regard in which the TLRI is held across the community, fostered by the Institute's recognised independence, impartiality and institutional integrity, and the need to maintain that current strong public confidence;
- (6) notes the current TLRI Founding Partners' agreement is due for renewal in November 2022; and
- (7) urges the Tasmanian government to:
 - (a) prioritise delivering in full, and in good faith, the recommendations of the *Review of the TLRI Final Report* for which government holds entire or partial responsibility, and encourage its fellow Founding Partners, the University of Tasmania and the Law Society of Tasmania to do likewise; and
 - (b) commit to ensuring Tasmania's acclaimed premier law reform agency is sufficiently resourced to place it on a "secure and sustainable footing into the future" as recommended by the 2022 independent Panel's Review of the Tasmania Law Reform Institute Final Report.

Order of the Day

1 Report of the Legislative Council Government Administration Committee 'B' Inquiry into Disability Services in Tasmania: Consideration and noting.

Question Time 2.30 pm

Notice of Motion and Order of the Day continued

Adjournment

D T PEARCE Clerk of the Council