

## **House of Assembly Standing Committee on Community Development**

## **Inquiry into State Fire Commission**

## **Terms of Reference**

- (1) The House refers the following matters to the Standing Committee on Community Development to inquire into and report upon:
  - a) the 2014-15 and 2015-16 budget for the State Fire Commission SFC and its implications for the Tasmania Fire Service TFS including:
    - the transfer of the State Emergency Service SES reporting responsibility to the SFC/TFS;
    - (ii) the funding of the SES;
    - (iii) the structures of the Department of Police and Emergency Management DPEM;
    - (iv) the DPEM corporate services review, including the scope and conduct of the review and its implications;
    - (v) the funding of the Fuel Reduction Burn Program;
    - (vi) community safety programs;
    - (vii) fire service resources including firefighter numbers;
    - (viii) the protection of the community.
  - b) the budget history of the State Fire Commission from 2008-09 to present;
  - c) the future funding arrangements for TFS and SES;
  - d) the need for appropriate and modern governance practices in the State Fire Commission; and
  - e) other matters incidental thereto.
- (2) The committee report by 26 February next.