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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA

# SELECT COMMITTEE ON SCOTTSDALE SAWMILLS

## **Interim Report**

(No. 2)

Brought up by Mr Booth on 30 April 2013 and ordered by the House of Assembly to be printed.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Mr Booth (Chair)
Mr Ferguson
Mr Gutwein
Ms White
Mr Wightman

#### **Establishment of Committee**

The House on Wednesday, 17 November 2010 resolved -

That:—

- (1) A Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House exceeding fourteen days, with leave to report from time to time and with leave to adjourn from place to place, to inquire into and report upon the Scottsdale softwood sawmills, including:—
  - (a) the circumstances surrounding the withdrawal of the joint venture softwood log supply from the two Scottsdale softwood sawmills and its transfer to Forest Enterprises Australia at Bell Bay;
  - (b) the effect of that action on the Scottsdale and surrounding areas economy;
  - (c) measures to mitigate the social and economic harm resulting from the withdrawal of the softwood log supply; and
  - (d) other matters incidental thereto.
- (2) The Committee shall consist of 5 members, being: 2 from the Government nominated by the Leader of the House; 2 from the Opposition nominated by the Leader of Opposition Business in the House; and 1 from the Tasmanian Greens nominated by the Leader of the Greens.
- (3) The Committee report by 30 June 2011.

The reporting date of the Committee has been extended until 27 June 2013

#### Resolution

The Chair of the Committee has received official advice that, in order to receive evidence from small forest contractors on log supply other than strictly relating to Scottsdale soft wood sawmills, the Terms of Reference of the Committee will need to be changed.

The Committee resolved as follows:-

- (1) To insert a new paragraph
  - (d) other matters relating to the supply of logs in Tasmania; and
- (2) That existing paragraph (d) be renumbered as (e)
- (3) That an Interim Report containing the recommended new Term of Reference be submitted to the House for approval.

### Recommendation

Resolved, That this Committee recommends to the House that the new paragraph be added to its Terms of Reference.

Parliament House HOBART

30 April 2013

Kim Booth M.P.

**CHAIR**