

## Functions of the Committee

The Legislative Council and the House of Assembly have appointed a Joint Select Committee on the ethical conduct, standards and integrity of elected Parliamentary representatives and servants of the State with the following Terms of Reference:-

"To inquire into and report upon the issue of ethical conduct, standards and integrity of elected Parliamentary representatives and servants of the State in performing their duties with particular reference to-

( a ) a review of existing mechanisms currently available to support ethical and open Government in Tasmania and the capacity to conduct independent investigations;

( b ) an assessment of whether those mechanisms need to be augmented by the establishment of an Ethics Commission or by other means and if so by what means; and

( c ) any matters incidental hereto."

The Committee invites interested persons or organisations to make written submissions to the Committee, the closing date for which is **Friday, 01 August 2008** .

Submissions become Committee documents. Persons making submissions must not release them without the approval of the Committee. Submissions are protected by parliamentary privilege but the unauthorised release of them is not. The Committee encourages the lodgement of submissions in electronic form. Emailed submissions must include name phone number and postal address.

Persons who wish to give confidential evidence to the Committee should contact the Secretary and request that the Committee hear their evidence in private.

Enquiries and submissions should be directed to:-

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**The Committee has been ordered to report by Friday, 24 July 2009.**