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Re: Joint Committee on Children and Young People Report 5/57: 2022 Review of the annual reports and other matters of the Office of the Advocate for Children and Young People and the Office of the Children's Guardian

Dear Mr Blunt and Ms Minnican,

Please accept the NSW Government's response to the Committee on Children and Young People Report 5/57 '2022 Review of the annual reports and other matters of the Office of the Advocate for Children and Young People and the Office of the Children's Guardian'.

Please note, this response relates specifically to the recommendations related to the Office of the Children's Guardian. A separate response will be provided in relation to the recommendations related to the Advocate for Children and Young People.

Sincerely,

Kate Washington MP
Minister for Families and Communities
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Recommendation	Response
4. That in light of evidence provided to the inquiry and the ongoing growth of children and young people working in the “gig economy”, the Committee write to the Office of the Children's Guardian and request the Children's Guardian to review the matter in detail and report back on findings to the 2023 public hearing.	I have noted this as an action for the Joint Parliamentary Committee.
5. That the Treasurer and relevant Minister monitor the needs of the Office of the Children's Guardian as its work and responsibilities expand under the Child Safe Scheme, and increase funding as appropriate.	Noted. There are ongoing discussions between the Office of the Children's Guardian and Treasury in relation to the Child Safe Scheme funding.