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Committee to inquire into skilled migration

The Legislative Assembly Committee on Economic Development will commence an Inquiry into skill shortages in NSW, Committee Chair Mr David Elliott MP, announced today. “A lack of specialists in some areas is constraining economic growth in NSW,” Mr Elliott said. “Skilled migration is one way to address these shortages, and the Committee will be examining the value of skilled migration to the NSW economy.”

The Inquiry will identify gaps and areas of need in industries and communities, with a particular focus on regional communities. “In some parts of NSW the shortage of specialists such as engineers or doctors is critical,” said Mr Elliott. “This Inquiry will examine ways for government to assist in addressing skill shortages.”

Submissions to the Inquiry are requested by 21 June. Further information about the Inquiry can be obtained by visiting the Committee’s website at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/economicdevelopment, or by contacting the Chair, Mr David Elliott MP on 0414 778 858.

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