



SELECT COMMITTEE ON FERTILITY SUPPORT AND ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TREATMENT

- (1) That a select committee be established to inquire into and report on fertility support and assisted reproductive treatment in New South Wales, and in particular:
 - (a) current supports available for infertility, including for people with relevant health issues such as endometriosis or who are undergoing cancer treatment
 - (b) economic impacts of infertility and assisted reproductive technology
 - (c) education and information available in New South Wales regarding fertility and assisted reproductive technology
 - (d) current supports for families dealing with pregnancy loss, including relevant leave entitlements and mental health support
 - (e) current options for assisted reproduction in New South Wales
 - (f) the barriers to accessing assisted reproductive treatment including in vitro fertilization (IVF) technology and surrogacy
 - (g) specific factors that impact access to assisted reproductive treatment in rural and regional New South Wales
 - (h) the regulatory framework for assisted reproductive technology in New South Wales, including the adequacy of safeguards for families and individuals
 - (i) changes to New South Wales government policies and procedures to better support families and surrogates through surrogacy
 - (j) relevant national and international laws that impact on surrogacy arrangements in New South Wales, including consideration of a model national legal framework for surrogacy arrangements, and
 - (k) any other related matter.
- (2) That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the committee consist of seven members comprising:
 - (a) three Government members
 - (b) two Opposition members, one being Mrs Mitchell, and
 - (c) two crossbench members, being Dr Cohn and Ms Hurst.

- (3) That the Chair of the committee be Mrs Mitchell and the Deputy Chair be Dr Cohn.
- (4) That, unless the committee decides otherwise:
 - (a) all inquiries are to be advertised via social media, stakeholder emails and a media release distributed to all media outlets in New South Wales
 - (b) submissions to inquiries are to be published, subject to the Committee Clerk checking for confidentiality and adverse mention and, where those issues arise, bringing them to the attention of the committee for consideration
 - (c) attachments to submissions are to remain confidential
 - (d) the Chair's proposed witness list is to be circulated to provide members with an opportunity to amend the list, with the witness list agreed to by email, unless a member requests the Chair to convene a meeting to resolve any disagreement
 - (e) the sequence of questions to be asked at hearings alternate between Opposition, crossbench and Government members, in that order, with equal time allocated to each
 - (f) transcripts of evidence taken at public hearings are to be published
 - (g) supplementary questions are to be lodged with the Committee Clerk within two business days following the receipt of the hearing transcript, with witnesses requested to return answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions within 21 calendar days of the date on which questions are forwarded to the witness
 - (h) answers to questions on notice and supplementary questions are to be published, subject to the Committee Clerk checking for confidentiality and adverse mention and, where those issues arise, bringing them to the attention of the committee for consideration, and
 - (i) media statements on behalf of the committee are to be made only by the Chair.

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