## Inquiry into community based sentencing options for rural and remote areas and disadvantaged populations

## Terms of reference

- 1) That the Standing Committee on Law and Justice inquire into and report on whether it is appropriate and in the public interest to tailor community based sentencing options for rural remote areas in NSW and for special need/disadvantaged populations, including:
  - (a) The perceived benefits and disadvantages of community based sentencing options including Periodic Detention, Intensive Supervision Programs (Home Detention e.g. Drug Court), Community Supervision Orders.
  - (b) The relationship between different Intensive Supervision Programs Home Detention and Periodic Detention (Stage 1 and 2).
  - (c) The impact of the availability of Intensive Supervision Programs upon rural and remote communities.
  - (d) The place of Periodic Detention within a spectrum of community based sentencing options utilising intensive supervision.
  - (e) The criteria for eligibility for community based sentencing options.
  - (f) The experience of other jurisdictions in implementing community based sentencing options.
- 2) Any other related matter.

The Committee to report by October 2005

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