



## *Inquiry into the Recruitment and Training of Teachers*

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

That the Social Issues Committee undertake an inquiry into the recruitment and training of teachers, with specific regard to the following terms of reference:

1. the best means of attracting quality teachers to NSW Public Schools and meeting the needs of school communities
2. the effectiveness and efficiency of current means of recruiting teachers to NSW Public Schools, including
  - (a) recent graduates
  - (b) career change teachers
3. differences and similarities between primary and secondary school recruitment needs
4. existing initiatives and programs of the Department of Education and Training, including
  - (a) Teach NSW
  - (b) scholarships for undergraduates
  - (c) accelerated training courses
5. the role of the NSW Institute of Teachers and its accreditation and endorsement requirements
6. the role, distribution and effectiveness of university pre-service teacher education
7. any other matter arising from these terms of reference

That the Committee report by 30 November 2005.

*These terms of reference were referred to the Committee by the Hon Andrew Refshauge, Deputy Premier, Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on 9 December 2004.*

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