

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO. 3

INQUIRY INTO ISSUES RELATING TO THE OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES

TERMS OF REFERENCE

That General Purpose Standing Committee No. 3 inquire into and report on issues relating to the following areas of the operations and management of the Department of Corrective Services and other relevant agencies:

- 1. The operations and management of Corrective Services Industries (CSI) with regard to:
 - a. The observance of the Charter to avoid unfair competition through the use of prisoner labour to compete with existing businesses
 - b. Claims that curtain manufacture by CSI is replicating work previously done by other NSW businesses and costing jobs
 - c. Other businesses that may be unfairly disadvantaged by CSI.
- 2. The management of high risk prisoners by the Department of Corrective Services with regard to:
 - a. Access and contact by non-correctional persons including their security screening
 - b. The effectiveness of the High Risk Management Unit (HRMU) at Goulburn Gaol
 - c. The objectivity of the prisoner classification system
 - d. Staffing levels and over-crowding.
- 3. The inter-state transfer of Offenders and Parolees with regard to:
 - a. Communication and agreement between Authorities
 - b. Ministerial sign-off under the Acts and informal arrangements made between jurisdictions.

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