PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

Inquiry into the Budget process for independent oversight bodies and the Parliament of New South Wales

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 1. That the Public Accountability Committee inquire into and report on the budget process for independent oversight bodies and the Parliament of New South Wales, and in particular:
 - (a) Options for enhancing the process for determining the quantum of funding of the following bodies, including the transparency of this process:
 - (i) Independent Commission Against Corruption
 - (ii) Law Enforcement Conduct Commission
 - (iii) Audit Office of New South Wales
 - (iv) NSW Electoral Commission
 - (v) NSW Ombudsman, and
 - (vi) Parliament of New South Wales (Legislative Council and the Department of Parliamentary Services)
 - (b) Any other related matter.
- 2. That the committee report by 5 February 2021.¹

Committee membership

The Greens Chair Mr David Shoebridge MLC Shooters Fishers and Farmers Party Deputy Chair Hon Robert Borsak MLC Hon John Graham MLC Australian Labor Party Hon Trevor Khan MLC The Nationals Hon Matthew Mason-Cox MLC Liberal Party Hon Peter Primrose MLC * Australian Labor Party Hon Natalie Ward MLC Liberal Party

* The Hon Peter Primrose MLC substituted for the Hon Courtney Houssos MLC from 22 November 2019 for the duration of the inquiry.

¹ The original reporting date was the last sitting day in April 2020 (*Minutes*, Legislative Council, 15 October 2019, p 504). The reporting date was extended to 30 September 2020 (*Minutes*, Legislative Council, 12 May 2020, p 893), then to 5 February 2021 (*Minutes*, Legislative Council, 22 September 2020, p 1341).