



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 4 - CUSTOMER SERVICE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Inquiry into the commencement of the *Fisheries Management Amendment Act 2009*

TERMS OF REFERENCE

That Portfolio Committee No. 4 – Customer Service and Natural Resources inquire into and report on the failure to proclaim the commencement of [Schedule 1 of the Fisheries Management Amendment Act 2009](#) concerning Aboriginal cultural fishing, and in particular:

- (a) the historical reasons for not commencing Schedule 1 for 11 years,
- (b) the present challenges to commencing Schedule 1,
- (c) the impact of the non-commencement of Schedule 1 on Aboriginal peoples and the practice of Aboriginal cultural fishing,
- (d) steps previously taken and proposed to be taken by the government to commence Schedule 1,
- (e) compliance measures undertaken by Fisheries NSW as it pertains to the non-compliance of Schedule 1, and
- (f) any other related matter.

The terms of reference were self-referred by the committee on 25 November 2021.¹

Committee membership

Hon Mark Banasiak MLC	Shooters Fishers and Farmers Party	<i>Chair</i>
Hon Emma Hurst MLC	Animal Justice Party	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Hon Scott Barrett MLC*	The Nationals	
Hon Taylor Martin MLC	Liberal Party	
Hon Peter Poulos MLC	Liberal Party	
Hon Peter Primrose MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Mick Veitch MLC	Australian Labor Party	

* The Hon Scott Barrett MLC replaced the Hon Wes Fang MLC as a substantive member of the committee from 1 March 2022. The Hon Wes Fang MLC replaced the Hon Sam Farrow MLC as a substantive member of the committee from 25 January 2022 to 1 March 2022.

** Mr David Shoebridge MLC was a participating member from 25 November 2021 to 11 April 2022.

¹ *Minutes*, NSW Legislative Council, 22 February 2022, pp 2963-2964.