



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE

CONSIDERATION OF DISPUTED CLAIMS OF PRIVILEGE AS REFERRED BY THE HOUSE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- (1) That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing and sessional orders, during the current session and unless otherwise ordered, in instances where a report of the Independent Legal Arbiter on a disputed claim of privilege is received more than three weeks before the next sitting of the House:
 - (a) on receiving a report of the Independent Legal Arbiter appointed to evaluate a disputed claim of privilege on documents returned to the House under standing order 52 the Clerk is to refer the report to the Privileges Committee for consideration,
 - (b) the Privileges Committee is authorised to undertake the role usually performed by the House in dealing with disputed claims of privilege over returns to order under standing order 52, including taking the decision to make public the report of the Independent Legal Arbiter and any documents over which privilege has been claimed but not upheld by the Independent Legal Arbiter,
 - (c) any document authorised to be made public by the committee under this resolution is deemed to have been presented to the House and published by the authority of the House, and
 - (d) on the next sitting day, the committee is to report to the House what action, if any, it has taken under this resolution.

Committee membership

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| The Hon Peter Primrose MLC | Australian Labor Party | <i>Chair</i> |
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| The Hon Taylor Martin MLC | Liberal Party | |