

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE: QUILTER AND MCNAMARA**  
**(as per p 37 of Transcript proof)**

Question:

How could the Legislation Review Committee make better use of social media to increase the visibility of its work?

Answer:

The Legislation Review Committee could utilise social media – such as twitter – to disseminate its findings regarding specific Bills.

This could occur, for instance by:

1. routinely tweeting when a Digest has been released together with a hyperlink to that Digest;
2. tweeting about a specific Bill and the Committee's findings in relation to that Bill. This second option might be particularly appropriate where a bill has been the subject of broader community and/or media concern, debate or controversy; and
3. tweeting about the outcome of the Bill introduced into the Parliament including whether any amendments were made to take account of Committee recommendations.

If the Committee considered it desirable (and possible, given time constraints) to liaise with relevant stakeholders prior to the finalisation of its report on a particular bill, social media could be one mechanism employed to so liaise.

Stakeholders like the Bar Association and Law Society might be consulted on a broad range of bills. For some bills, however, the Committee could consider consulting directly with organisations that represent individuals or groups most likely to be affected by the bill in question (eg Shopfront Youth Legal Centre, Aboriginal Legal Service, Rape & Domestic Violence Services Australia).