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STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE

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STATUTORY REVIEW OF *STATE INSURANCE AND CARE GOVERNANCE ACT 2015*

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The NSW Upper House's Standing Committee on Law and Justice today commenced a statutory review of the *State Insurance and Care Governance Act 2015*.

The Act, which has now been in operation for two years, significantly reformed the governance and regulatory arrangements for the state's statutory insurance and compensation schemes. In particular, the Act established three new organisations: the State Insurance Regulatory Authority (SIRA) as the independent regulator of the schemes; SafeWork NSW for work, health and safety regulation; and Insurance Care NSW (icare) as a single provider of services for each of the schemes.

The Hon Shayne Mallard, Committee Chair, said: "The *State Insurance and Care Governance Act 2015* requires an Upper House Committee to review the Act after two years, in order to determine whether the policy objectives of the Act remain valid, and whether the terms of the Act remain appropriate for securing those objectives. This is the first time the Law and Justice Committee, and indeed any Upper House Committee, has conducted such a statutory review, and we are keen to hear from all interested stakeholders."

Mr Mallard added, "Submissions to the review are due by Tuesday 31 October 2017. Stakeholders should note that this statutory review is separate from the committee's role in reviewing the operation of the CTP, workers compensation, dust diseases, and lifetime care and support schemes. The committee is also prevented from investigating individual compensations claims."

Further information about the review can be found on the committee's website: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lawandjustice.

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