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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# **INQUIRY INTO THE PARKLEA CORRECTIONAL CENTRE**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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An Upper House committee has launched an inquiry into the Parklea Correctional Centre.

The Chair of the Committee, the Hon Robert Borsak MLC said, ‘Parklea Correctional Centre was privatised in 2009 and since then has been the subject of considerable controversy. This inquiry will examine the current operation of the facility by the GEO Group’.

Mr Borsak continued, ‘The committee will investigate, among other things, the adequacy of staffing levels and staff safety, the inflow of contraband, and other security arrangements at the prison. The inquiry will also provide a valuable opportunity to scrutinise the appropriateness and operations of privately managed prisons in New South Wales more generally’.

The committee invites submissions to the inquiry by Thursday 15 February 2018. Submissions should be lodged online via the committee’s website at the address below. It is expected that public hearings will be held in the new year.

For more information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, please visit the committee’s website at: [www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/parklea](http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/parklea)

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