



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE DEVELOPMENT

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INQUIRY INTO THE PROVISIONS OF THE FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2018

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The newly established Upper House Selection of Bills Committee has referred the provisions of the Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 to the Standing Committee on State Development.

The Selection of Bills committee referred the bill due to concerns about the potential for significant changes to private forestry agreements and the impact of the bill on the environment, natural resources and water.

The Chair of the Standing Committee on State Development, the Hon Taylor Martin MLC, said “the committee welcomes the opportunity to review the provisions of this bill to enhance public confidence in the proposed legislation.”

The State Development Committee will undertake an abridged inquiry process in examining the provisions of the bill with a two week turnaround time.

The committee welcomes the participation of interested stakeholders and community members. The deadline for submissions is 30 May 2018 with the committee scheduled to report on 5 June 2018. A public hearing will be held on 1 June 2018.

For further information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, please visit the State Development Committee’s [website](#).

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