



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# **PROPOSED CHANGES TO INFORMATION EXCHANGE ABOUT SILICOSIS TO BE EXAMINED**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
10 AUGUST 2020**

A NSW Upper House committee will examine the Work Health and Safety Amendment (Information Exchange) Bill 2020, which aims to establish a notification system about diagnoses of silicosis in New South Wales workers.

The bill seeks to amend the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* to authorise NSW Health to provide information to work health and safety regulators, SafeWork NSW and the NSW Resources Regulator, in relation to occupational diseases such as silicosis.

The Hon Wes Fang MLC, Committee Chair, said: "The committee is seeking submissions from invited stakeholder organisations and experts. Other interested parties who wish to make a submission should contact the secretariat before doing so. The committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday 20 August which will be broadcast via the Parliament's website."

This will be a short, sharp inquiry with the committee due to report by 11 September 2020.

For more information, please see the committee's [website](#).

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