STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE

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REVIEWS OF THE CTP INSURANCE AND LIFETIME CARE AND SUPPORT SCHEMES FINALISED

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The Standing Committee on Law and Justice has released two reports today, both of which look at the performance of certain insurance schemes set up to provide support to people injured in motor vehicle accidents.

The first report focuses on the performance of the Compulsory Third Party (CTP) insurance scheme, examining a range of issues raised by stakeholders, such as Green Slip premiums, insurer profits and whether the benefits provided to people with minor injuries should be expanded.

The Chair of the committee, the Hon Wes Fang MLC stated: 'Our regular reviews of the CTP insurance scheme often help to identify ways in which the system can be improved, for the benefit of injured road users. We value the input of stakeholders, many of whom have firsthand experience or direct knowledge of the issues claimants experience. Based on their feedback, we believe a number of issues need closer examination and have recommended that they be considered as areas for potential reform in the statutory review of the *Motor Accident Injuries Act 2017* currently underway'.

The second report tabled by the committee today considered the performance of the Lifetime Care and Support scheme, the scheme set up to support those with catastrophic injuries arising from motor vehicle accidents, like brain and spinal cord injuries. In particular, the committee looked at the financial sustainability of this scheme, and the service and quality standards that apply to providers in that sector who provide support services.

The committee has a legislative responsibility to review these schemes twice a Parliament. It is also responsible for regular reviews of the Dust Diseases scheme and Workers Compensation scheme.

Both of the current reports, along with the submissions, transcripts and other documents from the reviews, can be accessed on the committee's website: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lawandjustice.

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