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2022 review of the workers compensation scheme to hold second hearing on 10 October 2022

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The Upper House committee conducting its regular review of the workers compensation scheme will hold its second public hearing on Monday 10 October 2022.

The hearing will commence at 10.15 am at Parliament House in Sydney and may be watched live online at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au. Witnesses include the Teachers Federation, lawyer associations, SafeWork NSW, SIRA and icare.

The Chair of the Committee, the Hon Chris Rath MLC, stated, 'The committee has been able to gather evidence about the present operation of the workers compensation scheme from a wide range of stakeholders via submissions, a roundtable discussion, and the first hearing which was held in September. The second hearing will provide the committee with more detail in relation to the views and experience of major stakeholders such as SafeWork NSW, SIRA and icare'.

Mr Rath commented, 'The committee is looking forward to not only hearing about changes that have been implemented by SIRA and icare since the previous review in 2020, but also what these major stakeholders are doing in response to the continuing increase in the number of psychological claims. This will aid the committee as we prepare our report on the workers compensation scheme, and highlight any areas requiring further attention'.

Information relating to the inquiry as well as the hearing schedule may be found at <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/committees/inquiries/Pages/inquiry-details.aspx?pk=2883>

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