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MODERN SLAVERY COMMITTEE TO HOLD ITS FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR REVIEW OF *MODERN SLAVERY ACT* *2018*

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The Joint Modern Slavery Committee will hold a public hearing at NSW Parliament House on Monday 30 October 2023, as part of its statutory review of the *Modern Slavery Act 2018*.

The committee will hear from the NSW Anti-Slavery Commissioner, government agencies, legal bodies and other non-government organisations and stakeholders.

Dr Joe McGirr MP, Chair of the committee said: "The *Modern Slavery Act* requires the committee to review the Act within two years of its commencement to determine whether its policy objectives remain valid, and whether its terms remain appropriate for securing those objectives."

Dr McGirr concluded: "The committee has received submissions from a range of stakeholders. As we approach nearly two years since the Act commenced, the committee looks forward to hearing evidence about whether the Act is achieving its goals of addressing modern slavery risks in NSW Government procurement and in the state more broadly."

Hearing details

The hearing will be held on Monday 30 October 2023 from 9.00 am until 3.45 pm in Room 814 at NSW Parliament House.

The hearing will be open to the public, and live streamed on the NSW Parliament's website: <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Pages/webcasts.aspx>.

For more information about the inquiry, please visit the [inquiry webpage](#).

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