

The Hon. Don Harwin MLC Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council Special Minister of State Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts Vice-President of the Executive Council

Ref: A5070351

Ms Helen Minnican Clerk of the Legislative Assembly Parliament House Macquarie Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Ms Minnican

I refer to Report No. 3/57 of the Committee on the Independent Commission Against Corruption (the **ICAC Committee**) entitled *Review of the 2019-2020 Annual Reports of the ICAC and Inspector of the ICAC* (the **Report**) and your letter dated 12 August 2021 in relation to the Report.

Recommendation 2 of the Report is addressed to the Government and provides:

That the NSW Government should inform the Committee of the progress of the Public Interest Disclosure Bill to reform the State's public interest disclosures legislation.

In accordance with Standing Order 303A of the Legislative Assembly, I am reporting that on 14 October 2021 the Government introduced the Public Interest Disclosures Bill 2021 into the Legislative Council. The Committee may wish to track the progress of the Bill on the Parliament's website (www.parliament.nsw.gov.au).

I would be grateful if you could arrange for this letter to be tabled as the Government's response to the Report in compliance with the Standing Orders.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Minister

Report No. 3/57 of the Committee on the Independent Commission Against Corruption – Review of the 2019-2020 Annual Reports of the ICAC and the Inspector the ICAC

Standing Order 303A of the Legislative Assembly requires me to refer Committee reports recommending that action be taken by the Government to the relevant Minister(s). The Minister must report to the House what action, if any, the Government proposes to take on each recommendation. The response must be made within six months of the report being tabled.

I draw your attention to the report of the Committee on the Independent Commission Against Corruption titled Review of the 2019-2020 Annual Reports of the ICAC and the Inspector of the ICAC, dated August 2021.

Attachment A lists the report's recommendations and findings relevant to your portfolio. The report is available on the Committee's <u>webpage</u>.

As the report was tabled on 11 August 2021, a response is due by 11 February 2022.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Minnican <u>Clerk of the Legislative Assembly</u>

Attachment A

Review of the 2019-2020 Annual Reports of the ICAC and the Inspector the ICAC

Recommendations relevant to the Special Minister of State

Recommendation 2

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