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HEARINGS FOR INQUIRY ON WA'S SHORT-STAY ACCOMMODATION SECTOR TO BE HELD IN MARGARET RIVER

The Economics and Industry Standing Committee has received nearly 400 submissions for its Inquiry into the regulation of short-stay accommodation in WA, a large number from people living in the South West.

The Committee has agreed to hold two days of hearings in Margaret River on Tuesday 30 April and Wednesday 1 May. The hearings will be held at the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River's Council Chambers (41 Wallcliffe Rd).

EISC Chair, Ms Jessica Shaw MLA, said "People who have made submissions to the Inquiry will be invited to appear at hearings, with the first day focusing on SW towns outside of Margaret River. The second day will focus on issues affecting that town."

"In a unique initiative, advertisements will shortly be placed in local papers asking people who wish to directly address the Committee for 3 to 5 minutes on these matters to nominate for a session on either days. These public depositions will be recorded and will form part of the official Inquiry evidence for the Committee to consider" Ms Shaw concluded.

The hearing broadcasts, all submissions and transcripts of the Inquiry's public hearings are available at https://bit.ly/2ziq7tz. The hearings in Margaret River will not be broadcast, but draft transcripts will be available on the Inquiry's web site by about 10 May 2019.

For comment about this hearing, please contact the EISC Chair, Ms Jessica Shaw on 9296 7688.