

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Forty-third Report — “Overview of Petitions 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015” — Tabling

HON SIMON O'BRIEN (South Metropolitan) [10.05 am]: I am directed to present the forty-third report of the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs, “Overview of Petitions 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015”.

[See paper 3667.]

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN: The report that I have just tabled advises the house of the petitions that were finalised by the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs between 1 July 2014 and 30 June 2015. Petitions remain a popular method of informing members of Parliament about issues that affect the community and the committee's inquiries enhance transparency of government policy and decision-making. During the reporting period, 42 new petitions were tabled in the Legislative Council, and the committee concluded its inquiries into 50 petitions. The committee also tabled separate reports into three petitions during the reporting period. Copies of public evidence relating to petitions, including submissions and government responses, are available on the committee's website. I commend the report to the house.