

DEPARTMENT OF TRAINING AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT — DIRECTOR GENERAL

Statement by Minister for Education and Training

HON SUE ELLERY (South Metropolitan — Minister for Education and Training) [1.01 pm]: I am pleased to announce the appointment of Ms Anne Driscoll to the office of director general of the Department of Training and Workforce Development. Ms Driscoll is well positioned to lead the Department of Training and Workforce Development. She brings a wealth of experience to the role, with a career spanning almost 40 years in both commonwealth and state government roles across the employment and training portfolios, and more recently in industry regulation and development. Ms Driscoll previously held the office of director general of the Department of Commerce and has been the acting director general of DTWD since 15 May 2017. On 7 November 2017, Her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council approved the transfer of Ms Driscoll to the office of director general of DTWD for a term commencing on 7 November 2017, concluding 1 August 2021. As director general, Ms Driscoll is responsible for leading the department in delivering strategies to ensure a skilled Western Australian workforce to meet today's needs and those of the future. Her role is central to the McGowan government's priorities of job creation, increasing training opportunities and diversifying Western Australia's workforce.

I welcome Ms Driscoll as the director general of the Department of Training and Workforce Development. I have every confidence in her ability to meet the challenges of the training sector and look forward to working with her in this important role.