

HEALTH (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT

Petition

HON NICK GOIRAN (South Metropolitan) [10.03 am]: I present a petition containing 2 262 signatures couched in the following terms —

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned, urge the Attorney General to immediately release the recommendation made by the Coroner's Court in January 2020 to amend the Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011.

Our ongoing deep distress over the knowledge that at least 26 Western Australian babies have been born alive and left to die, sees us as committed as ever to advocate for reforms so that every prematurely born Western Australian receives the same standard of health care without discrimination due to the circumstances of their birth. In this context we are concerned that the Attorney General's refusal to reveal the proposed recommendation, denies us the opportunity to fully advocate for Western Australian babies in an open and transparent environment fitting of our modern democracy.

We therefore ask the Legislative Council to inquire into this matter so that the recommendation can be tabled in Parliament without further delay.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[See paper 792.]