

NATIONAL JUDICIAL COMMISSION — REPORT

1438. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

- (1) Is the Attorney General aware of the contents of the December 2009 report, ‘Australia’s Judicial System and the Role of Judges’, of the Senate’s Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee?
- (2) Following the publication of that report, what is the Government’s position regarding a national judicial commission?
- (3) If the Government is supportive of a national judicial commission, does the Government prefer a cooperative model or a fully integrated model?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

- (1)-(3) The Attorney General is aware of the contents of the report, however the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General (SCAG) has set up Working Groups to explore a variety of issues including a National Judicial Framework, Judicial Complaints Handling, a Judicial Exchange Programme and National Legal Profession Reform. The State Government will await the outcome of these SCAG deliberations and decisions before giving consideration to a Judicial Commission in Western Australia.