

CORRUPTION AND CRIME COMMISSION ACT — AMENDMENTS

178. Hon GIZ WATSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the recommendations for amendment of the Corruption and Crime Commission Act 2003 made in 2008 by Gail Archer, SC, which have now been analysed by the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission; the other recommendations the committee has made for the amendment of the CCC act; and the committee's current inquiries into aspects of the CCC act due to be finalised in September 2011.

- (1) Will the Attorney General introduce a bill amending the CCC act within the next 12 months?
- (2) If yes to (1) —
 - (a) when does the minister expect to introduce that bill;
 - (b) apart from the matters currently the subject of inquiry by the committee, what will be the substance of the amendments in that bill; and
 - (c) what community consultation has taken place or is taking place regarding the substance of the amendments?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) A bill amending the Corruption and Crime Commission Act represents one of the legislative priorities of the government.
- (2)
 - (a) This has not yet been finalised.
 - (b) As has been publicly indicated, the general purpose of the bill will be to enhance the capacity of the Corruption and Crime Commission to target organised crime. Specific details of the bill are presently cabinet-in-confidence.
 - (c) The bill will become part of the public domain once it has been approved by cabinet and introduced to the Parliament.