



THIRTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT

REPORT 21
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
ADMINISTRATION
RECREATIONAL HUNTING SYSTEMS -
EXTENSION OF TIME

Presented by Hon Liz Behjat MLC (Chairman)

November 2014

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Date first appointed:

17 August 2005

Terms of Reference:

The following is an extract from Schedule 1 of the Legislative Council Standing Orders:

“5. Public Administration Committee

5.1 A *Public Administration Committee* is established.

5.2 The Committee consists of 5 Members.

5.3 The functions of the Committee are to –

(a) inquire and report on –

(i) the structure, efficiency and effectiveness of the system of public administration;

(ii) the extent to which the principles of procedural fairness are embodied in any practice or procedure applied in decision making;

(iii) the existence, adequacy, or availability, of merit and judicial review of administrative acts or decisions;

(iv) any Bill or other matter relating to the foregoing functions referred by the Council;

and

(b) consult regularly with the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations, the Public Sector Commissioner, the Information Commissioner, the Inspector of Custodial Services, and any similar officer.

5.4 The Committee is not to make inquiry with respect to –

(a) the constitution, functions or operations of the Executive Council;

(b) the Governor’s Establishment;

(c) the constitution and administration of Parliament;

(d) the judiciary;

(e) a decision made by a person acting judicially;

(f) a decision made by a person to exercise, or not exercise, a power of arrest or detention; or

(g) the merits of a particular case or grievance that is not received as a petition.”

Members as at the time of this inquiry:

Hon Liz Behjat MLC (Chairman)

Hon Darren West MLC (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Nigel Hallett MLC

Hon Jacqui Boydell MLC

Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson MLC

Hon Rick Mazza MLC (Co-opted Member)

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1 REFERENCE AND PROCEDURE

1.1 On 27 November 2013, the following motion was agreed to by the Legislative Council:

That the Council –

- a) acknowledges the use in other States of regulated, licensed recreation hunting systems and the potential environmental contribution made in controlling pest animals on public lands, together with the possible economic, cultural and recreational benefits to the community; and
- b) directs that –
 - i. the Public Administration Committee inquire into the benefits or otherwise of a similar system being adopted in Western Australia and report back to the House by 4 December 2014; and
 - ii. Hon Rick Mazza be co-opted as a member to the Public Administration Committee for the purposes of the foregoing inquiry.

Request for Extension of Time in Which to Report

- 1.2 At a regularly constituted meeting of the Committee held on 19 November 2014, it was resolved to seek leave of the Legislative Council to extend the date by which the Committee is to report on recreational hunting systems.
- 1.3 This is due to a large volume of additional information being provided to the Committee during its investigative travel to New South Wales and Victoria, undertaken between 9 and 14 November 2014.
- 1.4 The Committee therefore requests an extension to its reporting deadline on recreational hunting systems from 4 December 2014 to 26 March 2015.



Hon Liz Behjat MLC
Chairman

20 November 2014