

#### THIRTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT

# REPORT 38 STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES

## REFERRAL OF A MATTER OF PRIVILEGE RAISED BY HON SUE ELLERY MLC — TERMS OF REFERENCE

Presented by Hon Barry House MLC (Chair)

March 2016

#### STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES

Date first appointed: 24 May 2001

#### **Terms of Reference:**

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

#### "1. Procedure and Privileges Committee

- 1.1 A *Procedure and Privileges Committee* is established.
- 1.2 The Committee consists of 5 Members, including the President and the Chair of Committees, and any Members co-opted by the Committee whether generally or in relation to a particular matter. The President is the Chair, and the Chair of Committees is the Deputy Chair, of the Committee.
- 1.3 With any necessary modifications, SO 163 applies to a co-opted Member.
- 1.4 The Committee is to keep under review the law and custom of Parliament, the rules of procedure of the Council and its Committees, and recommend to the Council such alterations in that law, custom, or rules that, in its opinion, will assist or improve the proper and orderly transaction of the business of the Council or its Committees."

#### Members as at the time of this inquiry:

Hon Barry House MLC (Chair) Hon Adele Farina MLC (Deputy Chair)

Hon Nick Goiran MLC Hon Martin Aldridge MLC

Hon Sue Ellery MLC (Substitute Member)

#### Staff as at the time of this inquiry:

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#### 1 REFERENCE AND PROCEDURE

- 1.1 On Wednesday, 23 March 2016 the *Procedure and Privileges Committee* ("the PPC") met to consider the referral from the President pursuant to Standing Order 93(5) in relation to a Matter of Privilege raised by Hon Sue Ellery MLC on Thursday, 17 March 2016.
- 1.2 The PPC has resolved the following terms of reference:

In relation to an answer to Legislative Council question without notice No.176 asked by the Leader of the Opposition, Hon Sue Ellery, and answered on 12 March 2014 by the Leader of the House, the Hon Peter Collier, in his capacity as the Minister representing the Premier:

- (1) Did Ms Rachael Turnseck commit a contempt of this House or any breach of its privileges?
- (2) Did Mr Stephen Home commit a contempt of this House or any breach of its privileges?
- (3) Did any other person or body commit a contempt of this House or any breach of its privileges?
- 1.3 Pursuant to Standing Order 163, the PPC has resolved that Hon Sue Ellery is substituted for Hon Kate Doust for the duration of this inquiry.
- 1.4 The PPC hereby acquaints the Legislative Council accordingly.

Hon. Barry House MLC

Chair

24 March 2016