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ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF THE STATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

In June 1988, the Legislative Council of the New South Wales Parliament resolved to establish two Standing Committees, the Standing Committee on Social Issues and the Standing Committee on State Development. A third Committee, the Standing Committee on Law and Justice, was established after the 1995 election.

The Standing Committee on Privilege and Ethics was also reconstituted by resolution.

The functions of the State Development Committee, as set out in the Resolutions of the Legislative Council, are to inquire into, consider and report to the Council on:

- options for future policy directions and emerging issues to ensure that opportunities for sound growth and wise development for the benefit of the people in all areas of New South Wales are pursued;
- any proposal, matter or thing concerned with economics and finances, resources and energy, transportation, tourism, public administration, local government, the Olympics, primary industry, industrial and technological developments and environmental issues in New South Wales;
- employment practices, issues and conditions; and
- any proposal, matter or thing concerned with the problems or disadvantages uniquely or predominantly experienced in country areas, including the viability of cities and towns in those areas.

OPERATION OF THE COMMITTEE

Matters for inquiry may be referred to the Committee by:

- resolution of the Legislative Council;
- a Minister of the Crown; and
- way of relevant annual reports and petitions.

The Committee reports to the Legislative Council. The Committee's reports may include draft Bills designed to give effect to the report's recommendations. The Committee may publish papers and evidence taken in public, as it considers appropriate. In that connection the Committee may prepare and distribute discussion papers as aids to its inquiries.

Committee reports must be laid before the Legislative Council within ten days of their being adopted by the Committee. The reports are given precedence for debate during General Business.

The Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council is required to respond within six months to any recommendations for Government action that have been set out in Standing Committee reports.

In terms of the Legislative Council resolution establishing the Committee, the Committee may:

- summon witnesses;
- make inspections;
- call upon the services of government organisations and their staff, with the consent of the appropriate Minister;
- accept written submissions concerning inquiries from any person or organisation;
- conduct public hearings; and/or
- meet and make joint reports with other Committees of the legislatures

of the Commonwealth and the States.

PUBLICATIONS BY THE STATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Discussion Paper 1 May 1989
Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: A Survey

Report 1 August 1989
Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Supply of Goods and Services

Report 2 October 1989
Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Local Government Tendering & Contracting

Discussion Paper 2 November 1989
Coastal Development in New South Wales: Public Concerns & Government Processes

Discussion Paper 3 June 1990
Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Capital Works Tendering & Contracting: Management Options

Report 3 April 1991
Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Capital Works Tendering & Contracting. Volume A

Report 4 September 1991
Coastal Planning & Management in New South Wales: A Framework for the Future. Volume I

Supplement to 4 September 1991
An Alternative Dispute Resolution Primer

Report 5

December 1991 Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Capital Works Tendering & Contracting. Volume B

Report 6

December 1991

Payroll Tax Concessions for Country Industries. Volume I

Report 7

June 1992

Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Supply of Goods and Services: Follow Up Report

Report 8

October 1992

Coastal Planning & Management in New South Wales: The Process for the Future. Volume II

Report 9

April 1993

Public Sector Tendering & Contracting in New South Wales: Local Government Tendering & Contracting: Follow Up Report

Discussion Paper 4

August 1993

Regional Business Development in New South Wales: Trends, Policies and Issues

Report 10

May 1994

Regional Business Development in New South Wales: Achieving Sustainable Growth: Principles for Setting Policy. Volume I

Report 11

November 1994

Regional Business Development in New South Wales: Achieving Sustainable Growth: Initiatives for Setting Policy. Volume II

Report 12

August 1996

Rationales for Closing the Veterinary Laboratories At Armidale and Wagga Wagga and the Rydalmere Biological and Chemical Research Institute

Report 13 October 1996

Factors Influencing the Relocation of Regional Headquarters of Australian and Overseas Corporations to New South Wales

Report 14 April 1997

Interim Report on the Fisheries Management Amendment (Advisory Bodies) Act 1996

Report 15 April 1997

Waste Minimisation and Management

Report 16 July 1997

The Fisheries Management Amendment (Advisory Bodies) Act 1996

Discussion Paper 5 October 1997

Future Employment and Business Opportunities in the Hunter Region

Report 17 November 1997

Fisheries Management and Resource Allocation in New South Wales

RECOMMENDATION

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That the Standing Committee on State Development:

- continue to monitor the impacts of the *Sydney Markets Authority (Dissolution) Act 1997* and the provision of public markets for farm produce and other merchandise within the County of Cumberland for a further year (until 31 December 1998);
- accept and consider any representations made to the Standing Committee during that period; and
- if necessary, table an additional report in the Legislative Council after the 31 December 1998.

