



Inquiry into Appropriation Bill 2026–2027 and Appropriation (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Bill 2026–2027

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Ms Chiaka Barry MLA

Addressed to: Solicitor

Redirected to:

Reference: 2026-27 Budget Estimates

Hearing: 21 July 2026

In relation to: Changes to Judicial Appointment Notifiable Instruments

Question received: 24/07/2026

Answer Due: 05/08/2026

(1) Solicitor-General, did the Attorney-General seek your advice on making changes to Notifiable Instruments concerning judicial appointments – particularly in regard to what materialised in the Supreme Court (Resident Judges Appointment Requirements) Determination 2026 (No 1) and the Magistrates Court (Magistrates Appointment Requirements) Determination 2026 (No 1)?

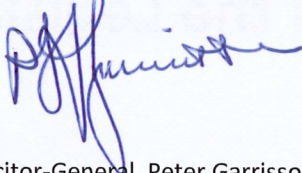
(2) Solicitor-General, in relation to question (1), if the Attorney-General did seek your advice, on what date was that advice sought and on what date did you respond to it?

Peter Garrison: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) Yes, the Attorney-General sought my advice in respect of making changes to Notifiable Instruments concerning judicial appointments.
- (2) Pursuant to requests by the Attorney-General on 17 February 2026 and 4 March 2026 I provided advice on 27 February 2026 and 12 March 2026.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Garrison', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Signature:

Date: 5 August 2026

By the Solicitor-General, Peter Garrison AM SC