



Standing Committee on Economy and Gender and Economic Equality

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023

ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Asked by Elizabeth Lee MLA on 24 November 2023: Kathy Leigh took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

MS LEE: So Ms Leigh, you mentioned that you sought legal advice?

Ms Leigh: That is correct.

MS LEE: What date did you seek that legal advice?

Ms Leigh: I beg your pardon?

MS LEE: What is the date?

Ms Leigh: Date?

MS LEE: Yes.

Ms Leigh: I am sorry, I would have to check that.

MS LEE: Okay. Are you taking that on notice?

Ms Leigh: Yes, I am happy to.

MS LEE: And can you please confirm the date that you sought it and the date that you received the legal advice—

Ms Leigh: Of course.

Andrew Barr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The Head of Service has advised me that the legal advice was sought from the Government Solicitor's Office on 3 January 2023. The legal advice was provided by the Government Solicitor's Office on 3 February 2023.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Economy and Gender and Economic Equality

Signature: 

Date: 4.12.23

By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA