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## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

## Inquiry into Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Natural Gas Transition) Amendment Bill 2022

At its meeting on 2 December 2020 (amended 4 August 2022), the Legislative Assembly resolved that:

'all bills presented to the Assembly stand referred to the relevant standing committee for inquiry and report within two months from the presentation of the bill, except for those bills introduced in the last sitting week of the calendar year where the committee shall report in two months. Within 21 days of the presentation of the bill in the Assembly, the committee must decide whether or not to undertake an inquiry, and shall inform the Speaker of its decision, the Speaker must then arrange for all members to be notified. In the event that the subject matter of the bill makes it unclear which committee it should be referred to, the Speaker will determine the appropriate committee.'

The <u>Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Natural Gas Transition) Amendment Bill 2022</u> was presented in the Assembly on 4 August 2022, and referred to the Standing Committee on Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity (the Committee). The Committee resolved to undertake an inquiry into the Bill and the amendments which the Bill proposes. The Committee will report back to the Assembly within two months.