



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
SELECT COMMITTEE ON A.C.T. SUPERMARKET COMPETITION POLICY

Terms of reference

That this Assembly:

(1) notes:

- (a) that ACT consumers are best served by policies that promote supermarket competition; and
- (b) that development approval processes should be free from inappropriate political interference and offer certainty to supermarket operators and protection for ACT consumers;

(2) establishes a select committee to review the ACT Supermarket Competition Policy, including, but not limited to:

- (a) the operation of the policy as it interacts with the planning system;
- (b) the appropriateness of settings as it applies to ACT Government direct sales, group centres and local centres;
- (c) the impact of the policy on operators and consumers;
- (d) impacts on the retail hierarchy; and
- (e) future applications of planning and competition policies

(3) the decision to exercise the call-in power to approve the Giralang DA are not the subject of the Committee's inquiry while the matter is before the Supreme Court;

(4) the Committee shall report back to the Assembly no later than the last sitting week in April 2012; and

(5) the Committee shall consist of one member nominated by the Government, one member nominated by the Opposition and one member nominated by the Crossbench, to be nominated to the Speaker by 4 p.m. on the day of passage of this motion.

22 September 2011

At its meeting of Thursday 29 March 2012, the Assembly agreed that the resolution of the Assembly of 22 September 2011 relating to the referral of the ACT Supermarket Competition Policy to a select committee be amended by omitting the words "last sitting week in April 2012" and substituting "last sitting day in June 2012".

As its meeting of Thursday 7 June 2012, the Assembly agreed that the resolution of the Assembly of 22 September 2011, as amended 29 March 2012, relating to the referral of the ACT Supermarket Competition Policy to a select committee be amended by omitting the

words “last sitting week in June 2012” and substituting “last sitting day in August 2012” and inserting a new paragraph (4A):

(4A) if the Assembly is not sitting when the report is completed the Speaker, or, in the absence of the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, is authorised to give directions for its printing, publication and circulation;