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STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION
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Inquiry into ACT Auditor-General's Report No. 6 of 2021 *Teaching Quality in ACT Public Schools* Report Tabled

Mr Michael Pettersson, Chair of the Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion, today tabled the Committee's report for the inquiry into Auditor-General's Report No. 6 of 2021: *Teaching Quality in ACT Public Schools* (Audit Report).

During the inquiry, the Committee received five submissions and held three public hearings.

The Committee's report makes 19 recommendations that aim to enhance the quality of teaching and lift student educational outcomes. The Committee's recommendations also aim to complement the recommendations made in the Audit Report.

The Committee's recommendations include that the ACT Government:

- Better define key terms in strategic planning documents, including 'teaching quality' and 'inclusive education'.
- Provide teaching staff with appropriate information technology equipment, and facilities to access time away from the classroom.
- Invest additional resources in health and safety for teachers and students.
- Invest additional resources in allied health and social support.
- Expedite projections of workforce supply and demand for the public school system.
- Improve performance management and review.

The report is available from the Committee's [webpage](#).

The Committee Chair, Mr Pettersson, said that "the Audit Report, as well as evidence received from stakeholders during the inquiry, was instrumental in identifying measures to improve teaching quality and lift student outcomes. We wish to acknowledge those who contributed to the inquiry through submissions and public hearings. In particular, we wish to acknowledge the ACT Audit Office for appearing before the Committee to clarify aspects of the Audit Report."

Under the Assembly's standing orders, the Government is required to respond to committee reports within four months of tabling.

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