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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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Inquiry into the Work Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2022
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DUE DATE: 10 FEBRUARY 2023

Asked by Mr Michael Pettersson MLA on 2 February 2023: Mr Michael Young took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

MR PETTERSSON: Are you in a position to share that legal advice with the committee this time or is the same as the Privileges Committee?

MR GENTLEMAN: It will be the same as what you see in the presentation of the bill. Mr Young?

Mr Young: Advice from the Solicitor-General has been received and has been shared with the Speaker, is my understanding. As to whether it can be shared any more widely, matters of privilege would need to be considered so I think we would have to take that on notice.

MR PETTERSSON: If you would that would be wonderful. [...]

Mick Gentleman MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

I am advised that the Solicitor-General's legal advice referred to by Mr Young during the Public Accounts Committee hearing on 10 February 2023 inquiring into the Work Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2022 is not able to be shared with the Committee as the advice is subject to legal professional privilege and that privilege is maintained.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Signature:

By Mick Gentleman MLA, Minister for Industrial Relations and Workplace Safety