

## **Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion**

## Report 7 – Inquiry into access to services and information in Auslan

Speaker's Response

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That the ACT Legislative Assembly make proceedings and materials accessible, via Auslan, to the Deaf community.

## Speaker's Response

Noted.

The Assembly is aware that a Melbourne company offers services to the Victorian Parliament to provide an Auslan-interpreted video of selected proceedings.

However, currently there is no equivalent commercial operation providing these services in the ACT. I, along with the Standing Committee on Administration and Procedure, may further consider these matters where a local provider is identified.

It should also be noted that captioning is offerred for all webcasts of Assembly and Committee proceedings, and that there are hearing loops in the Chamber, two committee rooms and the Reception Room.

Joy Burch MLA Speaker

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