



STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMY AND INFRASTRUCTURE (Legislation and References)

Terms of Reference

58th Parliament

Inquiry into VicForests Operations

Self-referenced by the Committee on 10 May 2017

That pursuant to sessional order 6 —

1. the economy and infrastructure committee inquire into VicForests operations, and that the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the Legislative Council by 31 July 2017, and that the inquiry in particular examine:
 - a. compliance with VicForests utilisation standards, with specific reference to log grading procedures, sawlog preparation and coupe utilisation standards
 - b. economic and environmental loss that is attributable to poor compliance
 - c. alternatives to the current utilisation standards that could deliver improved economic, social and environmental outcomes
 - d. VicForests modelling scenarios around past, present and future supply levels of commercial timber; and
 - e. VicForests business practices with specific reference to its approach to customers and any disputes, complaints or investigations.