

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Chief Minister

Independent Commission against Corruption

1. What progress has been made to implement the 52 recommendations contained in the Honourable Brian Martin AO QC's report into the establishment of an Independent anti-corruption body in the Northern Territory provided in May 2016?
2. Which recommendations have been fully implemented?
3. Which recommendations have commenced implementation?
4. Which recommendations have not yet commenced implementation?
5. Which recommendations will not be implemented?
6. Who is responsible for implementing the recommendations from this report?
7. What work is currently being undertaken to implement the recommendations?
8. What is the budget allocation for the establishment of an Independent anti-corruption body in the NT?
9. When will the Independent anti-corruption body in the NT be fully operational?
10. When will Territorians be able to refer matters to the Independent anti-corruption body?

Answer:

1. In October 2016, Government announced in-principle support for 50 of the 52 recommendations made in the Hon Brian Martin AO QC's report. As Government intends that the Commissioner is to be based in the Northern Territory, the two recommendations to engage an interstate Commissioner on a part-time basis were not adopted.

An exposure draft Bill is available for public comment. This will be followed by community consultations in major regional centres. Government will aim to introduce the bill in the second half of 2017.

It is planned that that the Commission will be operational in 2018.

2. Refer to the answer at question 1.
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6. The Department of the Attorney-General and Justice and the Department of the Chief Minister.
7. Refer to the answer at question 1.
8. Government provided an ongoing \$3 million from 2017-18 to operate and establish the Commission.
9. It is planned that the Commission will be operational in 2018.
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