



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

No. 244

WRITTEN QUESTION

J Davis to the Attorney-General, Hon Marie-Clare Boothby MLA:

Consultation on Legislation in Development

1. Does the Attorney-General's Department have a written policy or procedure directing what consultation is to occur on amendments to legislation in development?
 - a. If so, what is the title and date of that document, and can it be provided?
 - b. If not, what governs the decision whether to consult?
2. Under that policy or practice, does consultation occur as a matter of course, or only where the Attorney-General or the Chief Executive directs that it occur?
3. In each of 2024–25 and 2025–26, how many Bills administered by the Attorney-General's Department were released for public consultation in draft before introduction, and how many were not?
 - a. If this is not compiled, in which system is the consultation undertaken on each Bill recorded?
4. Where a Bill amends legislation affecting children, is the Office of the Children's Commissioner consulted as a matter of course?
 - a. Is any statutory office required to be consulted before a Bill administered by the Department is introduced and, if so, which and under what provision?