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Importance: High

Dear OSCAR members & friends

FYI

It appears that those organisations and individuals that made a submission last year to the previous committee may have to resubmit!

Best wishes ... Greg

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Subject: Economics and Governance Committee - Call for Submissions - Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018

Good afternoon

The Economics and Governance Committee is calling for submissions on the **Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018**.

We would also appreciate you providing this information to anyone who may be interested.

On 6 March 2018 the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Racing and Minister for Multicultural Affairs the Hon Stirling Hinchliffe MP, introduced the Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 into the Queensland Parliament. The committee is due to report on the Bill by **23 April 2018**.

View: [Bill](#)
View: [Explanatory Notes](#)
View: [Introductory Speech](#)
View: [Committee webpage](#)

Objectives of the Bill

The explanatory notes state that the policy objective of the Bill is to implement the Government's response to certain recommendations of the Crime and Corruption Commission's report *Operation Belcarra: A blueprint for integrity and addressing corruption risk in local government* to:

- reinforce integrity and minimise corruption risk that political donations from property developers has potential to cause at both a state and local government level
- improve transparency and accountability in state and local government
- strengthen the legislative requirements that regulate how a councillor must deal with a real or perceived conflict of interest or a material personal interest.

It should be noted that the Local Government Electoral (Implementing Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017, which is substantially the same as the 2018 Bill, was referred to the former Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee prior to the dissolution of the 55th Parliament for the 2017 election. The former committee had not concluded its inquiry for the 2017 Bill, which lapsed when the 55th Parliament was dissolved.

The committee may have regard to any evidence provided to the former Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee in its consideration of the 2017 Bill. See the former committee inquiry - [here](#).

Call for submissions

The committee invites submissions addressing any aspect of the Bill, from all interested parties. Guidelines for making a submission are available here: [Guide to making a submission](#).

The closing date for written submissions is **Friday, 23 March 2018 at 12pm**. Submissions should be sent to:

Email: egc@parliament.qld.gov.au

Post: Committee Secretary
Economics and Governance Committee
Parliament House
George Street
Brisbane Qld 4000

Public briefing

The committee will hold a public briefing with departmental officers on **Monday, 19 March 2018**, and a public hearing to hear from invited witnesses in relation to the Bill on **Wednesday, 28 March 2018**. Further details will be published soon.

If you have any queries please contact the committee secretariat on 07 3553 6637 or by email egc@parliament.qld.gov.au

Kind regards

Economics and Governance Committee

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