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Dear Secretary,

I write in response to the Committee's invitation to make submissions in relation to its consideration of the Integrity and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2022.

The policy parameters for the Bill have largely been settled through previous processes, most notably the Yearbury strategic review,¹ the Committee's inquiry into the strategic review report,² the Coaldrake review³ and the Government's response.⁴ As acting integrity commissioner, I have nothing to add to the previous commissioner, Dr Stepanov's input in relation to substantive policy issues in those processes.

The Government has consulted with the office of the integrity commissioner in the development of the Bill, and the views expressed in that process have been adequately reflected in the Bill. I consider that the provisions of the Bill that affect the office of the integrity commissioner meet the policy intentions of the previous processes and are fit for purpose.

¹ Kevin Yearbury PSM, Strategic Review of the Integrity Commissioner's Functions, 30 September 2021.

² Ethics and Governance Committee, *Inquiry into the report on the strategic review of the functions of the Integrity Commissioner* (Report no 26, 57th Parliament), June 2022.

³ Peter Coaldrake AO, Let the Sunshine In: Review of Culture and Accountability in the Queensland Public Sector – Final report, 28 June 2022.

⁴ Queensland Government response to Economics and Governance Committee Report No 26, 57th Parliament – Inquiry into the report on the strategic review of the functions of the Integrity Commissioner, 2 August 2022.

However, if the Committee has any concerns or questions in relation to the operation and workability of any of those provisions, I would be happy to assist.

Yours sincerely,

A D Keyes

ACTING QUEENSLAND INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER