Executive Summary

The Appropriation Bill 2025 was introduced by the Honourable David Janetzki MP, Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership. Appropriations pertaining to health and ambulance services and environment, tourism, science and innovation were referred to the Health, Environment and Innovation Committee (the committee) by the Legislative Assembly on 27 June 2025. Appropriations for these portfolios are approximately 21.3% of the government's total appropriations for 2025-26, which are \$105.4 billion.

The estimates process is one of the key mechanisms to examine government expenditure, performance and effectiveness. By examining and reporting on the proposed expenditures contained in the Appropriation Bill the committee assists the Parliament in its scrutiny of the Government's proposed expenditure.

This report provides an overview of the examination process undertaken by the committee. This included 8.5 hours of a public hearings on 1 August 2025, attended by the Minister for Health and Ambulance Services and Minister for the Environment and Tourism and Minister for Science and Innovation, Directors-General, and the chief executives of relevant schedule 7 entities.

The committee made 1 recommendation, found at page vi of this report, that the proposed expenditure referred to the committee be agreed to by the Legislative Assembly without amendment.