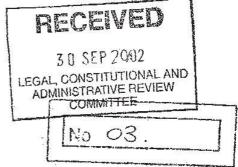


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At the SEQROC meeting of 13 September 2002, issues in relation to Legal Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee's Inquiry "The Queensland Constitution: Entrenchment" were discussed.

It was noted that the Committee has released a discussion paper which contains a proposal that the Queensland Constitution 'referendum entrench' the provision requiring that there must be a system of local government in Queensland, and that the system consists of a number of local governments.

This proposal would achieve the essential security of referendum scrutiny that SEQROC has previously sought.

Subsequently, the following motion was carried.

"That SEQROC write to the Parliamentary Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee endorsing the proposal to 'referendum entrench' the provisions in the Queensland Constitution in relation to the system of local government in Queensland."

On behalf of SEQROC, I look forward to the release of the Committee's recommendations.

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Yours faithfully

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