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The Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee is a committee of the Queensland Parliament with a broad range of law reform responsibilities. The committee is established under the *Parliamentary Committees Act 1995* (Qld).

Media Release

Retirement age for judges under review

The compulsory retirement age of judges at age 70 is one of the issues being examined by a parliamentary committee.

The Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee of the Queensland Parliament is now seeking public comment on this and a variety of other constitutional issues including:

- ◆ the process for the Queensland Parliament to consider petitions;
- ◆ the procedure to determine a question to be put to the people in a referendum; and
- ◆ restoration of a local government after suspension.

Most of the issues under review emanate from a February 2000 report of the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission (QCRC) on constitutional reform.

In November 2001, the Legislative Assembly passed the Constitution of Queensland 2001 which brought together the numerous documents which have historically formed part of Queensland's Constitution. However, this consolidation exercise did not seek to implement substantive reform.

The Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee is now considering recommendations for substantive reform. The public can comment on these recommendations by making submissions to the committee.

The committee's issues paper regarding its review was tabled today and is available from the Internet at www.parliament.qld.gov.au/committees/legalrev.htm.

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