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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Review of the Crime and Corruption Commission**

The Acting Chair of the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee (PCCC), Mr Peter Russo MP, has announced a review into the activities of the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC) as required under the *Crime and Corruption Act 2001*.

"The CCC plays a significant role in the criminal justice system in Queensland," Mr Russo said.

On 1 July 2014 significant legislative amendments commenced, including the CCC focusing resources on preventing serious crime and serious corruption and a new governance structure for the CCC, which includes five Commissioners: a Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and two Ordinary Commissioners.

The legislative changes followed several inquiries and reviews, including:

- the PCMC Inquiry into the (then) CMC's release and destruction of Fitzgerald Inquiry documents;
- the review of the Crime and Misconduct Act and related matters by the Independent Advisory Panel (Hon Ian Callinan AC and Professor Nicholas Aroney); and
- an administrative review of the CMC by M J Keelty AO.

"The last statutory review by the former PCMC was tabled on 12 May 2012. The Act requires the Committee to report to Parliament by 30 June 2016 on any action required in relation to the Act or the functions, powers and operations of the CCC."

"The CCC is accountable to the people of Queensland and the Parliament through the Parliamentary Committee" Mr Russo said.

"We are calling for submissions now and would like to hear from all interested Queenslanders. The Committee will hold public hearings later in the year."

"The Committee will not investigate individual complaints about the CCC as part of the review. Any such complaints are handled by the Committee in accordance with its normal complaint procedures, which may be submitted in writing to the Committee secretariat at any time."

Written submissions are due by 5pm on **Monday, 27 July 2015**.

Additional information, including guidelines for making a submission, are available on the committee's website at:

[www.parliament.qld.gov.au/pccc](http://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/pccc).

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