



Speech By  
**Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe**


**MEMBER FOR SANDGATE**

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**COAL WORKERS' PNEUMOCONIOSIS SELECT COMMITTEE**

**Order of Appointment; Membership**

 **Hon. SJ HINCHLIFFE** (Sandgate—ALP) (Leader of the House) (6.05 pm), by leave, without notice: I move—

That:

1. A select committee, to be known as the Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis (CWP) Select Committee be established to undertake an inquiry and report on the re-emergence of CWP amongst coal mine workers in Queensland.  
In undertaking the inquiry, the committee consider:
  - (a) the legislative and other regulatory arrangements of government and industry which have existed in Queensland to eliminate and prevent CWP;
  - (b) whether these arrangements were adequate, and have been adequately and effectively maintained over time;
  - (c) the roles of government departments and agencies, mine operators, nominated medical advisers, radiologists, industry safety and health representatives and unions representing coal mine workers in these arrangements;
  - (d) the study into CWP undertaken by Monash University and the findings of the Senate Select Committee on Health (Fifth Interim Report) and other relevant reports and studies;
  - (e) the efficacy and efficiency of adopting methodologies and processes for coal mine dust measurement and mitigation, including monitoring regimes, engineering measures, personal protective equipment, statutory requirements, and mine policies and practices, including practices in jurisdictions with similar coal mining industries; and
  - (f) other matters the committee determines are relevant, including other respiratory diseases associated with underground mining.
2. The committee have power to call for persons, documents and other items.
3. The committee report to the Legislative Assembly by 12 April 2017.
4. The committee consist of six members of the Legislative Assembly: Mrs Miller (Chair), Mr Costigan, Mr Crawford, Mr Kelly, Mr Knuth and Mr Springborg.

Question put—That the motion be agreed to.

Motion agreed to.