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 **Ms LEAHY** (Warrego—LNP) (12.43 pm): I am delighted to contribute to the debate on the report on the oversight of the Families Responsibilities Commission. The Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee, due to the change of jurisdiction under schedule 6, received responsibility for the Families Responsibilities Commission.

The report made one recommendation, and I draw the government's attention to that recommendation not only because it is intended to bring about better outcomes for the communities in service delivery but also because it recognises the extensive corporate knowledge that the Families Responsibilities Commission and their staff have in relation to the communities which they visit and serve. I think that is a particularly important recommendation from the committee and I draw the government's attention to it.

In conducting its oversight functions, the Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee took a briefing from the Finance and Administration Committee. We then followed up with travel to Cairns to meet with Families Responsibilities Commissioner David Glasgow, his office and his staff. We were lucky enough to visit the community of Aurukun with Commissioner Glasgow and his staff to see firsthand the work of the FRC.