

Question on Notice

No. 755

Asked on Tuesday, 29 October 2013

MR BYRNE asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (MR BLEIJIE)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Attorney-General's consultation with the Department of Community Safety in relation to the Criminal Law Amendment (Public Interest Declarations) Amendment Bill 2013, and his failure to consult with the Queensland Police Service—

Will the Attorney-General provide the advice he has since received from the QPS following the Criminal Law Amendment (Public Interest Declarations) Amendment Bill passing the House and the reason he did not consult with the QPS prior to the introduction of the Bill?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Rockhampton for his question.

I have not received any specific advice from the Queensland Police Service (QPS) with regards to the *Criminal Law Amendment (Public Interest Declarations) Amendment Act 2013* which commenced on 29 October 2013. QPS has no role in the administration of this new indefinite detention regime. My Cabinet colleagues, including the Honourable Jack Dempsey MP, Minister for Police and Community Safety, were consulted on this Bill through the usual Cabinet process.