

## Question on Notice

No. 1036

Asked on 4 September 2018

**MR J LANGBROEK** ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (HON Y D'ATH) –

### QUESTION:

With reference to Question on Notice No. 451 asked on 2 May 2018 regarding the review of Queensland's property laws—

Will the Attorney-General advise how long after the closing date of the last submission on 24 August 2018 can we expect progress on this reform?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Surfers Paradise for his question.

The property law review has been conducted in stages and dealt with issues including seller disclosure, body corporate matters and a full review of the *Property Law Act 1974*.

The seller disclosure portion of the review included an issues paper, an interim report and a final report. The Department of Justice and Attorney-General is currently considering the seller disclosure recommendations in light of public submissions received on the final report.

The body corporate portion of the review included four issues papers and four final reports, dealing with lot entitlements, body corporate governance and procedural issues, as well as consistency between the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997* and the *Building Units and Group Titles Act 1980*.

The *Property Law Act 1974* portion of the review included six issues papers and one final report.

On 31 May 2018, I released for public consultation the following final reports:

- Final Recommendations: Consistency between the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997* and the *Building Units and Group Titles Act 1980*; and
- Final Report: *Property Law Act 1974* (Qld).

These reports deal with complex issues and the *Final Report: Property Law Act 1974* (Qld) is over 1,000 pages and contains over 230 recommendations.

The public submission period for both final reports closed on 24 August 2018. A small number of key stakeholders requested an extension to the time for making a submission, which has been granted.

The Government will be giving careful consideration to stakeholder views before making any decisions about possible changes to the relevant laws. Accordingly, a timeframe for progressing any resulting legislative change is yet to be decided.