Question on Notice

No. 1412

Asked on 14 November 2023

MS A CAMM asked the Minister for Child Safety and Minister for Seniors and Disability Services (HON C CRAWFORD)—

QUESTION

With reference to the consultation for the reportable conduct scheme and child safe standards which closed on 22 September—

Will the Minister detail when Queenslanders can expect to see these enacted in Queensland to keep children safe?

ANSWER

On 10 August 2023, the *Growing Child Safe Organisations in Queensland* Consultation Regulatory Impact Statement (CRIS) was released for a six-week public consultation period concluding on 22 September 2023.

The Queensland Government appreciates the time taken by stakeholders, including young people and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, to participate in the consultation process, providing invaluable information to be considered as this work progresses.

A Decision Impact Analysis Statement, which presents a preferred option for a child safe organisations system and incorporates feedback from the consultation process, will be published after it has been considered by government.

The CRIS proposed, as a preferred option, an integrated child safe organisations system for Queensland comprising legislated, mandatory child safe standards and a nationally consistent reportable conduct scheme, overseen by a single oversight body. If this model is supported, implementation will require legislation to be drafted, introduced and passed by the Legislative Assembly.

The Queensland Government remains committed to improving the safety and wellbeing of children and will continue to progress this work as a priority.