



# ACT Government **Summary of Cabinet Outcomes**

*25 and 28 October 2013*

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## **Committees of Cabinet**

The Budget Committee of Cabinet was convened. Treasury officials joined with Ministers to discuss matters of economic and fiscal significance.

## **Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2013**

Cabinet agreed the Attorney General present the Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 in the Legislative Assembly. The Bill will make minor and more substantive amendments to the following Acts:

- *Bail Act 1992;*
- *Crimes Act 1900;*
- *Crimes (Assumed Identities) Act 2009;*
- *Crimes (Child Sex Offender) Act 2005;*
- *Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2000;*
- *Criminal Code 2002;*
- *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989;* and
- *Firearms Act 1996*

to address a number of criminal justice issues that have arisen in the ACT.

The Bill and Explanatory Statement will be available on the [ACT Legislation Register](#) following tabling in the Legislative Assembly.

## **Section 57 Coroner Report – Diamant Hotel Fire**

Cabinet agreed the Attorney General table the Executive Response to the Coroner's Report, under Section 57(3) of the *Coroners Act 1997*, into a Fire at the Diamant Hotel, Acton in the Legislative Assembly during the October sitting period. The Coroner's Report and Executive Response will be publically available at [www.justice.act.gov.au](http://www.justice.act.gov.au) following tabling in the Legislative Assembly.

## **Payroll Tax Amendment Bill 2013**

Cabinet agreed to the Payroll Tax Amendment Bill 2013 (No 2) and its introduction in the ACT Legislative Assembly in the October 2013 sittings. The Bill seeks to introduce legislative amendments to implement the Government's election commitment to provide a payroll tax concession of up to \$4,000 to businesses who hire a recent school leaver with disability. The Bill and Explanatory Statement will be available on the [ACT Legislation Register](#) following tabling in the Legislative Assembly.

## **Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Amendment Bill 2013**

Cabinet agreed to the Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Amendment Bill 2013 and its introduction in the ACT Legislative Assembly in the October 2013 sittings. The Bill amends the *Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009* to clarify the application of certain provisions, to ensure the intended policy is clearly reflected and provide for the continued effective administration of portable schemes by the ACT Long Service Leave Authority. The Bill and Explanatory Statement will be available on the [ACT Legislation Register](#) following tabling in the Legislative Assembly.

## **Ministerial Statement on Strengthening Families**

Cabinet agreed the Ministerial Statement regarding the Government's Strengthening Families initiative, be tabled in the ACT Legislative Assembly in the October 2013 sittings. The statement provides background to the development of this initiative, covers progress to date and highlights the importance of the initiative. The Ministerial Statement will be publically available on the [Hansard website](#) following tabling in the Assembly.

## **Appointments**

### **Sentence Administration Board**

Cabinet agreed to endorse proposed appointments to the Sentence Administration Board subject to Standing Committee consultation.

**Cabinet Secretary**