TASMANIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SESSION 2024

NOTICE OF MOTION

15 August 2024

I (Ms Webb) give Notice that tomorrow I shall move —

- (1) That the Legislative Council notes the resolution of this House on the 28 March 2023 requesting the Tasmanian Government undertakes to introduce mandated requirements for the regular and routine disclosure of all Ministerial and Cabinet Secretary official diaries, detailing scheduled meetings, and their purpose, with stakeholders and organisations, including third parties and lobbyists; and when developing this disclosure regime to also;
 - (a) ensure the process is informed by best practice examples of mandatory disclosure of Ministerial diary requirements established in other jurisdictions, including examples of oversight and compliance requirements; and
 - (b) develop and publicly consult on a proposed Tasmanian mandatory disclosure of Ministerial diaries scheme.
- (2) That the Legislative Council further notes that:
 - (a) public consultation on a proposed Tasmanian mandatory disclosure of Ministerial diaries scheme did not occur;
 - (b) the Tasmanian Government introduced quarterly routine disclosure of Ministerial diaries commencing with the January/March 2023 quarter; and
 - (c) the current routine disclosures of Ministerial diaries system is not mandatory under statute; does not occur in a reliable and timely manner; and the format and details disclosed remain deficient.
- (3) And that the Legislative Council calls on the Tasmanian government to:
 - (a) undertake comprehensive and public consultation on a best practice mandatory disclosure of Ministerial diaries model, and that process is to provide for input into the design, disclosure details, timeliness, application, and any other related matter; and
 - (b) report back to the Legislative Council by 28 November 2024 in relation to the above.

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