



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 7 – PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

# **REPORT TABLED ON PROPOSED REFORMS TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS SYSTEM**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**10 August 2021**

An Upper House committee has today tabled its report for the inquiry into the [Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment \(Infrastructure Contributions\) Bill 2021](#).

Chair of Portfolio Committee No. 7 – Planning and Environment, Cate Faehrmann MLC, said "The committee has recommended that the Bill not proceed, until the draft regulations have been developed and released for consultation and the reviews into the rate pegging system, benchmarking and the essential works list have been published by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal."

Ms Faehrmann continued "A key concern for stakeholders was the lack of detail in the Bill and the absence of the corresponding directions and draft regulations. The committee also received evidence regarding the number of outstanding reviews and consultation processes that impact significantly on the implementation of the Bill and reforms."

"Without these important details it was impossible for the committee to determine whether or not the Bill will make positive changes to the infrastructure contributions system. We could not see how it was going to be implemented or how stakeholders involved in the system will be affected. These are significant reforms to the infrastructure contributions system and we want to see that they are done right", said Ms Faehrmann.

The committee's report and other inquiry related documents can be found on the committee's website [here](#).

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