

PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA - COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL LEGAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference

59th Parliament

Inquiry into the use of Cannabis in Victoria

On 29 May 2019 the Legislative Council agreed to the following motion:

That this House, requires the Legal and Social Issues Committee to inquire into, consider and report, by no later than March 2020, into the best means to —

- a) prevent young people and children from accessing and using cannabis in Victoria;
- b) protect public health and public safety in relation to the use of cannabis in Victoria;
- c) implement health education campaigns and programs to ensure children and young people are aware of the dangers of drug use, in particular, cannabis use;
- d) prevent criminal activity relating to the illegal cannabis trade in Victoria;
- e) assess the health, mental health, and social impacts of cannabis use on people who use cannabis, their families and carers;

and further requires the Committee to assess models from international jurisdictions that have been successful in achieving these outcomes and consider how they may be adapted for Victoria