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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie UW

I refer to Report No. 38 of the Legal Affairs and Safety Committee (the Committee) on its examination of the Working with Children (Indigenous Communities) Amendment Bill 2021 (Private Member's Bill) which was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 31 October 2022.

In accordance with section 107 of the *Parliament of Queensland Act 2001*, I provide this letter as an interim response to recommendations of Report No. 38 directed at the Queensland Government.

The Committee's recommendations and their implications for Queensland's blue card system and the people who interact with it require a comprehensive analysis and full consideration to ensure any reforms provide more support for First Nations people and build cultural capability into the system. As such, the Palaszczuk Government is carefully considering the recommendations.

I note that I intend to provide the final Queensland Government response to Report No. 38 during the second reading debate of the Private Member's Bill.

This interim response must be tabled in the Legislative Assembly by 31 January 2023. In accordance with Standing Order 31, I would appreciate your assistance for this letter to be tabled on or before that date.

Yours sincerely

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