



## Education, Employment and Training Committee

### Hearing and Briefing Program

## Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2020

**Wednesday 16 December 2020**

**2:00pm – 5:00pm**

Committee Room 2, Level 6, Parliamentary Annexe

Time	
<b>2:00pm – 3:40pm</b>	<b>Public hearing</b>
2:00pm – 2:25pm	<b>United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Nate Tosh, Industrial Officer</li></ul>
2:25pm – 2:50pm	<b>Australian Medical Association Queensland</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Professor Chris Perry OAM, President</li></ul>
2:50pm – 3:15pm	<b>Construction, Forestry, Mining &amp; Energy Union - Mining and Energy Division Queensland District Branch</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Stephen Smyth, District President</li><li>• Mr Chris Newman, Senior Legal Officer</li></ul>
3:15pm - 3:40pm	<b>Queensland Law Society</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Luke Murphy, President</li><li>• Ms Leeha James, Member of the QLS Accident Compensation and Tort Law Committee</li><li>• Ms Kerryn Sampson, QLS Policy Solicitor</li></ul>
3:40pm – 4:00pm	<b>Break</b>
<b>4:00pm – 5:00pm</b>	<b>Departmental briefing</b> <b>Office of Industrial Relations, Department of Education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Craig Allen, Deputy Director-General, Office of Industrial Relations</li><li>• Ms Janene Hillhouse, Executive Director, Workers' Compensation and Regulatory Services</li><li>• Mr Bradley Bick, Director, Workers' Compensation Policy</li></ul>
<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Close</b>

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Head to Health	<p>Head to Health – <a href="https://headtohealth.gov.au/">https://headtohealth.gov.au/</a></p> <p>The Australian Government's digital mental health gateway helps people more easily access information, advice, and free or low cost phone and online mental health services and supports, that suit their needs, when and where they need it.</p>