



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA  
Legal and Social Issues Committee

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **First hearing tomorrow on end of life choices**

The parliamentary inquiry into end of life choices begins public hearings on Thursday 23 July at Parliament House in Melbourne.

The inquiry is being conducted by the Victorian Parliament's Legal and Social Issues Committee. There are more than 80 submissions available on the Committee's [website](#).

**WHAT:** Public hearing on inquiry into end of life choices

**WHEN:** Thursday, 23 July 2015 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm

**WHERE:** Legislative Council Committee Room, Parliament House, Melbourne

**WHO:** Legal and Social Issues Committee will conduct the hearing with the following schedule:

**9:30 am** Professor Paul Komesaroff, Director, Centre for Ethics in Medicine & Society, Faculty of Medicine, Nursing & Health Services, Monash University

**10:30 am** Professor Hal Swerissen, College of Science, Health and Engineering, La Trobe University (Bendigo Campus); Fellow, Health Program, Grattan Institute

**11:30 am** Professor Loane Skene, Director of Studies, Health and Medical Law, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences, University of Melbourne

**1:00 pm** Department of Health and Human Services, Victoria

**2:30 pm** Dr Michelle Gold, Director Palliative Care, Alfred Hospital; Australasian Chapter of Palliative Medicine, Royal Australasian College of Physicians

**3:30 pm** Associate Professor William Silvester, Director of the Respecting Patient Choices Program, Austin Health, Victoria; President, International Society of Advance Care Planning and End of Life Care

Further details on the inquiry can be found on the Committee's [website](#).

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