



PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES ACT 2003

INQUIRY INTO LOCALLY BASED APPROACHES TO COMMUNITY SAFETY AND CRIME PREVENTION

Under s 33 of the *Parliamentary Committees Act 2003*, the following matters be referred to the joint investigatory committees specified:

To the **Drugs and Crime Prevention Committee** — for inquiry, consideration and report no later than 12 March 2012 on locally based approaches to community safety and crime prevention, and the Committee is asked to consider:

- (a) the breadth of locally based groups and organisations addressing community safety and crime prevention issues within Victoria, particularly with regard to local government and Neighbourhood Watch;
- (b) the approaches adopted by these groups to promulgating community safety and crime prevention practices, programs or initiatives;
- (c) the extent to which these organisations are effective in engaging with local and state agencies in the development of policy;
- (d) whether institutional or other arrangements support or impede such local groups in engaging in the development of community safety initiatives;
- (e) whether there is a cost benefit to the community for current crime prevention strategies;
- (f) whether alternate models for such organisations may improve outcomes; and
- (g) local community safety and crime prevention arrangements in other jurisdictions, particularly within Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.