



# Terms of Reference

## Legislative Council Legal and Social Issues Committee

### Inquiry into Public School Funding

**On 28 May 2025, 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 30 April 2026, on the impact of the Allan Labor Government's decision to delay raising Victoria's school funding to 75 per cent of the Schooling Resource Standard until 2031, effectively cutting \$2.4 billion from what was previously committed to Victorian government schools, including but not limited to —

1. the State and Commonwealth funding per student in Victorian government schools relative to funding in other states and territories;
2. the impact of this delay on Commonwealth funding;
3. the impact of this delay and funding cut on the education of students enrolled at Victorian schools today and those starting prior to 2031;
4. the consequences of this funding cut on Victoria's teaching and school workforce; and
5. the effect the funding cut will have on the ability of Victorian government schools to purchase educational resources, teaching materials and capital equipment, as well as fund much needed building and school grounds maintenance.