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# **Interim report tabled on recycling and waste management**

Major industrial fires that occurred at Campbellfield, West Footscray and Coolaroo are the focus of an [interim report](#) into recycling and waste management tabled in Parliament today by the Legislative Council's Environment and Planning Committee.

The report makes a range of findings about risks to emergency services personnel, inadequacy of communication from relevant agencies to the community, and inadequate investigatory responses to reported pollution events in recent years.

“While the Committee has heard evidence from the key government departments on broader issues, the focus of much of the evidence to date has been around the issue of the fires and the threat they pose to community and environmental health and safety,” Committee Chair Cesar Melhem said.

The Committee's final report, due at the end of November 2019, will address in detail the broader issues of recycling and waste management as outlined in the inquiry's terms of reference.

The interim report is available from the Committee's [website](#).

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