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ICAC TO HOLD PUBLIC INQUIRIES INTO LEGISLATIVE SCHEMES

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This afternoon the Hon. Bruce Lander QC, Independent Commissioner Against Corruption, gave evidence before the Parliamentary Crime and Public Integrity Policy Committee.

In his opening statement Commissioner Lander announced that, at the request of the Attorney-General, he would "conduct a review of the legislative scheme governing the oversight and management of complaints regarding the conduct of members of South Australian Police". He will also conduct a review of the "legislative scheme governing the making of complaints and reports to the Police Ombudsman, the Ombudsman and the Office for Public Integrity, with a particular focus on whether the complaint / report processes can be consolidated and made more efficient".

The Commissioner also announced that he would evaluate the practices, policies and procedures of the Police Ombudsman in accordance with section 40 of the *Independent Commissioner Against Corruption Act 2012* (ICAC Act).

The Commissioner intends to hold public inquiries for the purposes of the legislative reviews and evaluation in order to "give all interested parties, including of course the Police Ombudsman, the opportunity to contribute to this very important process".

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