



MEDIA RELEASE

COMMITTEE SEEKING INPUT FROM PEOPLE WITH MODERN SLAVERY LIVED EXPERIENCE FOR REVIEW OF *MODERN SLAVERY ACT 2018*

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The Modern Slavery Committee is continuing its review of the Modern Slavery Act 2018 and is calling for contributions from people with lived experience of modern slavery.

Dr Joe McGirr MP, Chair of the committee stated: 'The committee's decision to continue its review of the Modern Slavery Act was prompted by its recommendation made in the first report, which recommended that the committee continue its review to hear from people with modern slavery lived experience expertise.'

'In its first review, the committee heard from organisations about how the *Modern Slavery Act* could be strengthened. The committee now invites those directly impacted by modern slavery to share their experience and how the *Modern Slavery Act*, or other laws relating to modern slavery, can be strengthened, particularly to provide support to victim-survivors of modern slavery' Dr Joe McGirr added.

Dr Joe McGirr concluded: 'For those interested in participating in the review, the committee has prepared a guide outlining key background information and how victim-survivors can engage in the review. The committee welcomes written submissions and expressions of interest to speak directly with the committee. We intend to speak with individuals later in the year.'

Engaging with the committee

Submissions can be sent to modern.slavery@parliament.nsw.gov.au by 20 October 2024.

To express your interest in speaking with the committee, please email modern.slavery@parliament.nsw.gov.au by 29 September 2024.

For further information about the inquiry, including a guide on engaging with the committee, the terms of reference and the first report, please visit the committee's [website](#).

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For further information please contact Committee Chair, Dr Joe McGirr MP, on (02) 6921 1622.