1. Cabinet considered a submission regarding the Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) Enforcement Framework.
2. In 2007, the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations (DEIR) commissioned an independent review into the WHS Enforcement Framework. The independent review was supported by a tripartite reference group comprising selected members from both the Electrical Safety and WHS Boards, unions, employer groups and DEIR.
3. The review found the enforcement framework is sound and generally well administered but identified areas for improvement.
4. The review made 50 recommendations most of which relate to immediate or future legislative changes, improvements to policies and administration and matters for discussion with national bodies. The remaining recommendations either maintain the status quo, require further consideration or are outside the terms of reference.
5. Cabinet noted the recommendations of the recent Review of the Workplace Health and Safety Enforcement Framework.
6. Cabinet approved the public release of a summary paper of the recommendations of the Review.
7. *Attachments*
* [Summary paper of the recommendations of the Review of the Workplace Health and Safety Enforcement Framework](attachments/WHS%20enforcement%20framework.pdf)