# STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICES REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

REPORT AND DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(2) OF THE STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICES REMUNERATION ACT 1975 – COMMISSIONER HEALTH CARE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION.

# **Request for determination**

- 1. The Attorney-General (the Minister) and the Premier jointly administer the *Statutory and Other Offices Remuneration Tribunal Act 1975* (SOOR Act). Pursuant to section 14 of the SOOR Act, the Minister has directed the Tribunal to make a special determination regarding the remuneration for the office of the Commissioner Health Care Complaints Commission.
- In giving this direction, the Minister has asked that the Tribunal consider information prepared by the Department of Health. This has been provided by the Minister for Health, the Hon Brad Hazzard.

# The Commissioner Health Care Complaints Commission

- 3. The *Health Care Complaints Act 1993 was amended* to give effect to remuneration arrangements for the Commissioner HCCC and passed by Parliament on 4 October 2022.
- The SOOR Act at Schedule 1, was also amended to include the office of Commissioner HCCC.
- 5. The HCCC is an independent statutory body established under the *Health Care Complaints Act 1993.* The HCCC's aim is to provide people with an effective means of making a complaint about health care practitioners and health care services and to provide an independent and accessible service to handle complaints.
- 6. The Commissioner leads the HCCC, with specific focus on the assessment, resolution, investigation and prosecutions of complaints about health service providers to ensure the effective implementation of the objectives of the *Health Care Complaints Act 1993*. The role is specified as a full-time position.

- 7. In determining remuneration for this role, the Tribunal has had regard to the roles and responsibilities of the Commissioner, current salary for the role, salary relativities with other relevant NSW public office holders, and additional supporting information.
- The Tribunal determines the salary of the Commissioner HCCC as \$390,160 per annum. This figure represents an annual salary not a total remuneration package, therefore exclude superannuation contribution costs.

### Determination

This determination amends the 2022 Annual Determination SOORT Public Office Holders, dated 21 July 2022.

Pursuant to section 14(2) of the SOOR Act, the Tribunal determines the annual salary for the Commissioner HCCC shall be as follows, with effect from date of determination.

Office	Salary per annum
Commissioner HCCC	\$390,160

### **Statutory and Other Offices Remuneration Tribunal**

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The Hon. Greg Pearce 28 November 2022