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SUBMISSION

BACKGROUND

I was an independent minority Elected Member (EM). I was not well trained despite attending all required WALGA training and the complaints I made against the CEO were not answered or acted on in an effective way.

KEY POINTS

1. Enforce the LGA against CEOs and Councils.
2. Make the workplace a safer place for minority EMs by removing the confidentiality provisions relating to EM minor and serious breach complaints by repealing them.
3. Introduce amendments to the Work Health & Safety Act to ensure EMs can make a complaint against bullying in the workplace.
4. Make a general office provision in the LGA for breaching the Act, especially in relation to records and information access.
5. Repeal the DLGSC Standards Panel.
6. Introduce an independent oversight body that is a parliamentary ombudsman with a minimum qualification of being legally trained and required to have at least 5 years experience in Local Government and who is not a former Local Government employee.
7. Use LGEMA as a stakeholder.
8. Introduce University based training for EMs and Local Government employees.
9. Introduce optional preferential compulsory voting in Local Government, that is all in and all out every 4 years.
10. Remove WALGA from the LGA and all its powers to make nominations to government boards, panels etc.
11. Better resource the DLGSC with legal expertise.
12. Improve the Local Government Insurance Scheme arrangement by open and transparent insurance arrangements.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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