

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

**Sub Program 1.1.2**

**Question No. 46**

**Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 19 October 2009:**

In relation to the charter of rights recommendation arising from the report on the National Human Rights Consultation, if the Government accepts the recommendation, will it consider whether or not there should be a referendum or a plebiscite?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

The Government is currently considering the report on the National Human Rights Consultation.

It is a matter for Government, should it decide to accept the recommendation for a Charter, whether or not there should be a referendum or a plebiscite.