

List of Recommendations

Recommendation 1

4.3 The committee recommends that the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability (Location of Corporate Commonwealth Entities) Order 2016 be revoked.

Recommendation 2

4.9 The committee recommends that the move of the APVMA be paused until the APVMA concludes its review of its business model.

Recommendation 3

4.11 The committee recommends that the establishment of the regulatory science course at the University of New England is actively encouraged and supported by the Commonwealth. The establishment of this course should not be contingent on the relocation of the APVMA.

Recommendation 4

4.18 The committee recommends that the Finance Minister apply greater scrutiny to future requests or orders to be made under the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 with a specific focus on consideration being given to the following:

- the financial and governance implications on an agency from an order under the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013; and**
- a cost-benefit analysis. In the event that a cost-benefit analysis does not identify a net benefit from the proposed order, the Finance Minister should require the relevant minister to explain the grounds on which the order should be made.**

Recommendation 5

4.21 The committee recommends that a broad inquiry led by representatives from both Houses of Parliament be undertaken into the merits of decentralisation, and the appropriate policy mechanisms for undertaking it.
