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**RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE****Questions on Notice Paper No 7****16 May 2025****Question No. 421****MR BRADDOCK:** To ask the Attorney-General —

1. Given that section 110 of the Freedom of Information Act 2016, which expired on 1 January 2025, required that the Minister (noting that the responsible Minister during the 10th Assembly was the Special Minister of State) arrange for an independent entity to review the operation of the Act as soon as practicable after the end of its fifth year of operation, meaning as soon as practicable after 1 January 2023, what is the Government's explanation for it not having been practicable to commence the review prior to the end of 2024.
2. Is the review referred to in part (1) still expected to occur; if so, what is the anticipated timetable for the review.

**TARA CHEYNE MLA** - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. Delays occurred due to the procurement process for an independent reviewer. In the first half of 2024, the Justice and Community Safety Directorate completed a procurement process but unfortunately the selected supplier withdrew in July 2024 prior to commencing work. A new procurement process was undertaken in the second half of 2024 and a supplier (Proximity) was selected through that process early this year. The contract (PIJC0007325) has been notified on the Tenders ACT website at:  
<https://www.tenders.act.gov.au/contract/attachments?id=222876>.



2. Yes. The review commenced on 7 April 2025 and completion is anticipated on 30 June 2025, with a possible extension of one month.

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