1. The Public Advocate is an independent statutory officer appointed under the *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000*.
2. The role of the Public Advocate is to provide systems advocacy, in particular to:

* protect the rights and interests of adults who have impaired capacity for a matter;
* protect adults from neglect, exploitation or abuse;
* develop programs to help adults reach the greatest practicable degree of autonomy;
* promote the provision of services and facilities for adults; and
* monitor and review the delivery of services and facilities to adults.

1. Cabinet endorsed that Ms Jodie Cook be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as the Public Advocate for a term of three years commencing from 13 August 2012 up to and including 12 August 2015.
2. *Attachments*

* Nil.