

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**2387. Ms D Carter (Cope) to ask the President of the Republic:**

(a) By which date he intends to sign the Public Audit Amendment Bill into law and (b) what have been the reasons for the delay so far? NW2627E

**REPLY:**

The President has a constitutional obligation to satisfy him or herself, independently, that any legislation brought to him or her for assent is constitutional. This necessarily requires, among other things, a review of all relevant documentation, consideration of any submissions and the sourcing of legal opinion.

I am currently considering the Public Audit Amendment Bill, together with other Bills received from Parliament, to satisfy myself that it indeed passes the test of constitutionality.