1. In October 2019, the Queensland Government announced an Independent Inquiry into the management of retired racing horses in Queensland.
2. The Independent Inquiry, led by Mr Terry Martin SC, handed its report to the Queensland Government in January 2020. The report makes 55 recommendations to strengthen regulatory oversight of facilities accepting horses for slaughter; and to improve the management of retired racehorses for their optimal welfare.
3. The Queensland Government has considered the Martin Inquiry Report and fully supports or supports-in-principle all of the recommendations made.
4. Cabinet noted the report of the Independent Inquiry into animal cruelty in the management of retired Thoroughbred and Standardbred horses in Queensland.
5. Cabinet endorsed the release of the report from the Independent Inquiry and the Queensland Government response.
6. *Attachments*
   * [Inquiry into animal cruelty in the management of retired Thoroughbred and Standardbred horses in Queensland](Attachments/Report.PDF)
   * [Queensland Government response to the Inquiry into animal cruelty in the management of retired Thoroughbred and Standardbred horses in Queensland](Attachments/Response.PDF)