Final call for Work Health and Safety Advisory Council nominations

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Territorians with the skills and passion to promote safety in the workplace have only one week left to nominate for the Northern Territory Government’s Work Health and Safety Advisory Council (WHSAC).

Chief Minister and Acting Minister for Business Adam Giles said the NT Government had received strong interest since putting the call out late last year.

“The response so far has been good and there are already a number of potential candidates,” Mr Giles said.

“The more nominations we receive from a wide variety of backgrounds will enable us to establish a committee which represents a vast range of experience extending as far as possible across industry in the Northern Territory.

“We are also specifically seeking nominations from representatives of organisations which advocate for employers and employees.

“The Country Liberals Government sees the safety of employees and employers as paramount and establishing the WHSAC will ensure we receive the best possible advice on the operation of our WHS legislation.”

The WHSAC’s role would be to review the operation of the Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act and make recommendations on possible changes to the administration of the Act or standards of WHS in the Northern Territory.

Mr Giles said it would also investigate and report to the Minister for Business Peter Styles on any matter relating to Work Health and Safety (WHS).

“The ability to work within a safe environment is integral to doing business in the Territory,” Mr Giles said.

“The WHSAC will play an important part in achieving the highest possible outcomes for workers, employers and industry groups and I encourage all interested organisations and individuals to nominate before next Friday, 29 January 2016.”

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