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CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION BILL INTRODUCED

Chief Minister Paul Henderson today introduced the *Constitutional Convention (Election) Bill 2011* into the Northern Territory Parliament, as recommended by the bi-partisan Steering Committee and the Northern Territory Constitutional Convention Committee.

The Bill will pave the way to electing delegates for the Constitutional Convention, to be held in April 2012, helping push the Territory towards Statehood.

Mr Henderson said the Bill was an important step for Territorians, with the Constitutional Convention playing a pivotal role in setting the groundwork for a model and case for Statehood.

“The Constitution will provide the blueprint for why the Territory should become a state and it is important the community has an opportunity to be a part of this process.”

“I’m pleased to introduce this Bill – the product of a bi-partisan campaign towards Statehood,” Mr Henderson said.

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