

# SCRUTINY OF ACTS AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

## REVIEW OF REDUNDANT AND UNCLEAR LEGISLATION

### REPORT

## *Review of the Carriers and Innkeepers Act 1958*

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## TERMS OF REFERENCE

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On 12 May 1994, The Governor-in-Council made an Order-in-Council referring a reference for the review of redundant legislation to the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee. The matter was referred pursuant to section 4F(1)(a)(ii) of the *Parliamentary Committees Act* 1968. Following the March 1996 election and the commencement of the 53rd Parliament of Victoria, the Governor-in-Council, on 18 June 1996, again referred the terms of reference to the Committee. Following are the terms of reference:

1. The Committee is requested, in conjunction with the Chief Parliamentary Counsel, to inquire into, to consider and make recommendations as to:
  - Acts of Parliament and provisions of Acts of Parliament which are unnecessary or redundant;
  - legislative instruments made under an Act of Parliament and provisions of legislative instruments made under an Act of Parliament which are unnecessary or redundant.
2. The Committee is requested, in conjunction with the Chief Parliamentary Counsel, to inquire into, consider and make recommendations as to:
  - Acts of Parliament and provisions of Acts of Parliament which are unclear, ambiguous or should be re-drafted;
  - Legislative instruments made under an Act of Parliament and provisions of legislative instruments made under an Act of Parliament which are unclear, ambiguous or should be re-drafted;
3. In the conduct of this reference, the Committee is requested to pursue the primary objects of reducing the number and complexity of Victorian Acts and legislative instruments, and ensuring that Acts and instruments are clearly expressed in accordance with modern drafting practices.
4. This reference shall continue unless revoked by the Governor-in-Council.