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REVIEW OF REDUNDANT AND  
UNCLEAR LEGISLATION

REPORT

*Review of the Carriers and  
Innkeepers Act 1958*

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## CHAIR'S FOREWORD

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The Redundant Legislation Subcommittee is pleased to present its Report on the *Carriers and Innkeepers Act 1958*. The Subcommittee reviewed the Act pursuant to a request from the Minister for Fair Trading to consider the Act under the Subcommittee's reference to review redundant and unclear legislation.

The Report represents several years of hard work by the Subcommittee and its staff. Extensive research on the complex legal issues arising from the Act was carried out, and lengthy consultations with groups and individuals affected by the legislation took place. It became clear to the Subcommittee during the review that, while carriers had no objections the repeal of the provisions of the Act affecting them, "innkeepers" opposed any changes to the Act. The Subcommittee, in making its recommendations for substantial changes to this area of the law, considers that it has struck an appropriate balance between the interests of those running accommodation establishments and the general public who stay in those establishments.

I wish to thank the other Members of the Subcommittee, Mr Robert Cameron MP, Mr Carlo Carli MP, the Hon. Peter Katsambanis MLC and Mr Murray Thompson MP, for their enthusiastic participation in the preparation of the Report.

I am grateful to Nadia Krivetz, the Redundant Legislation Legal Officer, who carried out the research, corresponded with interested parties, and drafted the Report. Thanks are due also to the staff of the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee, namely Helen Mason, Executive Officer, Simon Dinsbergs, Assistant Executive Officer, and Richard Kings, Officer Manager, for their commitment and enthusiasm.

Hon. Maree Luckins, MLC

Chair

Redundant Legislation Subcommittee