Mr. E. O'Donohoe, Chairman
Standing Committee on Acts and Regulations
Parliament House, Spring Street, East Melbourne.

3rd July 2011

Dear Mr. O'Donohoe,

Victoria's Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities should be prepared because our common law system already protects civil rights and does so in a far more nuanced manner than a charter of rights is able.

There is no consensus as to which rights ought to be included in the Charter, and successive governments will include or exclude rights according to their own norms and ideologies, participating human rights in the process.

Yours Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Laurel Smith

Statutory Acts and Regulations Committee
5 Jull 2011