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Dear Ms Doust

### Review of the Statute Book (Western Australia)

Thank you for your letter of 18 August 2014, requesting information about the review of laws in Victoria. I apologise for the delay in responding.

In Victoria, the process of identifying legislation for repeal involves a number of entities including: the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee (SARC), the Office of Chief Parliamentary Counsel (OCPC), and investigative bodies such as the Victorian Law Reform Committee. There is also scope for legislation to be identified by the relevant department as requiring repeal. The Victorian Government does not have a coordinated program to audit or review redundant legislation on a regular basis, as is the case in some other Australian jurisdictions. OCPC maintains a central database of Victorian legislation and is able to track laws with sunset clauses.

SARC has responsibility in relation to the review of redundant, unclear or ambiguous legislation. For information about SARC, please see their website at <http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/sarc>. You may wish to contact the Chair of SARC, the Hon. Richard Dalla-Riva MP, to request further information about its work. Mr Dalla-Riva may be contacted via phone on (03) 9803 0592 or via e-mail to [richard.dalla-riva@parliament.vic.gov.au](mailto:richard.dalla-riva@parliament.vic.gov.au).

I wish you success with your review process.

Yours sincerely

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