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Dear Ms Doust

REVIEW OF THE STATUTE BOOK

Thank you for your letter dated 17 February 2014, regarding the review of the Statute Book.

As you will be aware, the Parliament has inserted into many Acts a requirement that the Act be reviewed for relevance after a certain time with a report to be provided to the Parliament.

In addition, every Minister has a portfolio of Acts for which they are responsible and a Department to support the Minister. Acts are usually reviewed whenever they are amended. It goes without saying that there is a clear imperative to keep the most often used Acts current and that these are the most regularly reviewed Acts.

On top of this, Acts are occasionally reviewed for currency and recommendations for amendments or repeal made by bodies such as the Law Reform Commission of Western Australia.

As a result of these reviews, Acts are amended or repealed as the case requires. It is understood that the Repeal Day may become a regular feature of the Parliamentary year and this will provide another useful review and repeal mechanism.

Yours sincerely

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