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The Chairman
Economics and Industry Standing Committee
Legislative Assembly
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Sir/Madam

I am a franchising legal specialist and for the following reasons I wish to express my objection to the state based franchising legislation being considered in WA.

- In light of the current national franchising legislative framework, State-based legislation is unnecessary and inappropriate. The legislation is not needed as
 - o rogues are not roaming unchecked;
 - o disputes are at a respectable 1%; and
 - o most of the recommendations of the WA inquiry (2008) have been implemented by the Federal Government and additional enhancements have been made through the 1 July Code changes and the 1 January ACCC powers;
- I believe proposed legislation will:
 - o do more harm than good -- for franchisors and franchisees in WA and elsewhere; and
 - o undermine confidence, increase risk and retard growth -- a detriment to the WA economy and national GNP.
- I support Franchise Council of Australia submissions to the WA and SA governments.

Kind regards

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