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3.1 Guide to the Victorian legislation review schedule

[Summarised from *Victoria's progress in implementing COAG and related reforms, Interim 1996-97 annual report for the half year to 31 December 1996, March 1997*, and information on progress received from Victoria's Competition Policy Unit on 18 September 1998.]

Legislative Reviews

Victoria's legislation review schedule lists some 430 Acts and regulations for review between 1996-97 and 1999-2000.

During 1997-98, Victoria conducted several high profile reviews, including reviews of liquor licensing/retailing, barley marketing (jointly with South Australia) and dental profession regulation.

Victoria has removed some legislation from its original program where preliminary review has shown that the legislation contains no restrictions on competition or where that there is no scope for change due to significant costs or where the legislation is repealed or the restriction removed.

In July 1996, the Department of Premier and Cabinet released Guidelines for the Review of Legislative Restrictions on Competition, setting out administrative and methodological guidelines to ensure reviews are undertaken in accordance with the NCP principles.

The Government has also issued Guidelines for the Application of the Competition Test to New Legislative Proposals (January 1996) to assist agencies comply with legislative review guidelines in respect of proposed

new legislation. Cabinet submissions containing new legislative proposals are required to indicate that the competition test has been applied and justify restrictions on competition. Continuing compliance, including compliance of associated regulations made under Acts, will be reassessed every 10 years. The responsible Minister has a similar role in relation to new regulation.

Local Government by-laws are being reviewed under separate processes.

[Victoria provided the following classifications and information on legislative reviews]:

Items included in timetable

Name of legislation: While in most instances entire items of legislation are listed in the timetable, in many cases reviews will focus only on provisions which restrict competition. Such restrictions will be identified as the first stage in a review, in accordance with procedural and technical guidelines.

Priority: Reviews are classified as high, medium, or low priority depending on the likely significance of the benefits to the economy from reform of the relevant restriction on competition. The likely magnitude of each review is indicated on an ascending scale as follows:

- *Simple minor review* — cases where there are no significant impediments to removing restrictions on competition, where their removal would be consistent with established government policy and where there are unlikely to be significant public interest issues to be addressed;
- *Complex minor review* — cases where the removal of existing legislative restrictions on competition would be technically straightforward, but there are complex public interest issues to be addressed; and
- *Major review* — cases where the removal of legislative restrictions on competition would involve complex technical issues and/or where there are complex public interest issues to be addressed.

In general, reviews rated high or medium priority and classified as major or complex/minor in scale require more extensive public consultation processes, whereas low priority reviews and those not involving complex or contentious public interest issues may be conducted in-house where appropriate.

Status: The following key is used to describe the current status of each review:

- removed:* the legislation has been removed from the timetable, for example because no restrictions on competition have been found;
- started:* the review is currently in progress;
- reviewed:* the review has reported to the Government.;
- responded:* the Government has announced its position on the review recommendations.

Date set for completion: The table indicates the proposed completion date for each review. Dates are subject to revision in respect of reviews subsequently nominated for national review.

Limitations on the coverage of reviews

Agreement Acts: broadly provide legislative backing to contractual agreements entered into by the Government with the private sector. Such Acts are common where an exclusive franchise has been granted to extract State owned forest or mineral resources or to conduct a business. They may also include provisions that preclude such rights being granted to other parties.

By their nature, these Acts often restrict entry to particular markets for the period of the agreement. As such, they will involve legislative restrictions on competition falling within the requirement for review under the Competition Principles Agreement.

To balance the requirement for review against the limitations imposed by existing private rights and obligations, reviews initially identify the scope for change while preserving existing private rights and obligations and, where

there is scope for change, proceed within those parameters. In several cases, preliminary consideration by Victoria has indicated that amendment to agreement Acts would not be possible without exposing the Government to substantial damages for breach of contract.

For Agreement Acts nearing their term, consideration can be given to options following the expiry of existing private rights and obligations.

Law and order legislation: These forms of legislation proscribe certain activities and create rights and obligations and law enforcement powers of the State through the Courts and the Police Force. The creation of these law enforcement powers does not in itself constitute a restriction on competition, although restriction on who may carry out related administrative functions may do so. For this reason, it is useful to distinguish between powers constituted by the State and operational functions that support them.

In practice, operational functions shift between public and private sectors and any legislative restrictions on private sector provision would therefore require review, with particular attention to how differing accountabilities impact on net public benefit. Reviews generally focus on operational elements, such as administrative support and corporate services, information gathering, reporting and inspection.

State revenue laws: As with law and order, the power to tax is constituted by the State and, while it may add to costs, is not a restriction on competition and not subject to review. However, certain measures taken to enable tax collection — such as restrictions on the availability of business licences — will require review. In these cases, reviews are limited to the consideration of operations that ensure secure revenue collection.

Anti-discrimination legislation: enforces employment on merit consistent with efficient labour market operation. It also enforces other rights to social participation, some of which will not have economic consequences and therefore fall outside the NCP framework.

3.2 Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in the ‘Agency’ column of the Victorian legislation review schedule.

AG	Attorney-General
AR	Agriculture and Resources
C	Corrections
CALM	Conservation and Land Management
E	Education
F	Finance
FT	Fair Trading
G	Gaming
Hlth	Health
Hsng	Housing
IST	Industry, Science and Technology
PES	Police and Emergency Services
PLG	Planning and Local Government
Pr	Premier
SB	Small Business
Sp	Sport
TET	Tertiary Education and Training
Tour	Tourism
RP	Roads and Ports
Tpt	Transport
Tr	Treasurer
YCS	Youth and Community Services

3.3 Legislation review schedule: Victoria

Updated to 31 August 1998

Name of legislation	Portfolio	Priority	Date set for completion	Status	Progress	
<i>Accident Compensation (WorkCover Insurance) Act 1993</i>	F	Low	Complex minor	Jul-98	Reviewed	
<i>Accident Compensation Act 1985</i>	F and AG and Tr	Low	Simple minor	Jul-98	Reviewed	
<i>Accident Compensation Act 1985</i> Division 7 of Part 4	AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97		Minor restriction addressed in incidental amendments made by the <i>State Trustees (Amendment) Act 1998</i> .
<i>Adoption Act 1984</i>	AG and YCS	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Adoption Act 1984</i>	Hlth	Low	to be determined	Jan-00	Reviewed	
<i>Adult, Community & Further Education Act 1991</i> to establish Adult Community Further Education Board, Regional Councils & make provision with respect to Adult, Community & Further Education	TET	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Adult, Community & Further Education Act 1991</i> : Ministerial direction on fees & charges	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Agricultural & Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 1992</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Jun-99	Started	Victoria leading a national review of AgVet chemical legislation, including control of use legislation in Vic, Qld, WA, and Tas.

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<i>Agricultural Industry Development Act 1990 (AIDA)</i>	AR	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-97	Started	Joint review with NSW. Simultaneous review of wine grape legislation occurring in SA.
<i>Agriculture & Veterinary Chemicals (Victoria) Act 1994</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Mar-99	Started	National review underway.
<i>Alpine Resorts Act 1983</i>	CALM	High	Complex minor	Dec-98	Responded	Largely replaced by <i>Alpine Resorts Management Act 1997</i>
Alpine Resorts Commission: Order authorising the Commission to act as a gas undertaking solely within the Mount Buller Alpine Resort	CALM	Low	Minor	Dec-97		
<i>Ambulance Services Act 1986</i>	Hlth	Low	to be determined	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Architects Act 1991 No. 13/1991</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-99	Started	
<i>Associations Incorporation Act 1981</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97	Removed	Minor restriction removed by amendment.
<i>Auction Sales Act 1958</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97	Started	
<i>Audit Act 1994</i> Parts 1,2 and 6 (Part 7 is repealed) (the Act is otherwise administered by the Minister for Finance)}	Pr	Low	Complex	Aug-98	Responded	Act amended in Spring session 1997.
<i>Australian Grand Prix Act 1994</i>	Tour	Low	Complex minor	Dec-96	Reviewed	Review found that the Act does not restrict competition. No amendment is necessary.
<i>Barley Marketing Act 1993</i>	AR	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-96	Reviewed	Government response covering domestic marketing arrangements announced. Amending legislation to be passed in the Spring 1998 session.
<i>Benefit Associations Act 1958</i>	AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97		

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<i>Biological Control Act 1986</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98	Removed	Part of a national legislative scheme which already allows for consideration of the public benefit in proposals for release of biological control agents.
<i>Border Railways Act 1922</i>	Tpt	High	Complex minor	Dec-97		Review deferred pending application of the <i>Rail Corporations Act</i> to Rail Track
<i>Borrowing & Investment Powers Act 1987</i>	Tr	Low	Minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Bourke Street Mall Act 1982</i>	PLG	Medium	Simple minor	Dec-96		Act repealed
<i>Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Dec-98		
<i>Building Act 1993 No. 126/1993</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-99	Started	
<i>Building Control (Plumbers Gasfitters & Drainers) Act 1981 No. 9720</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-99		Act repealed by the <i>Building (Amendment) Act 1996</i>
<i>Building Societies Act 1986</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97		To be repealed once jurisdiction passes to Commonwealth under national financial sector reforms.
Bunurong Sanctuary Zone Marine Reserve Proclamation & Rules 1991	CALM	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-99	Started	
<i>Business Franchise (Tobacco) Act 1974</i>	Tr	Low	Minor	Dec-96	Removed	Following High Court ruling on excises, the licencing provision of this Act no longer operates and the Act will be repealed
<i>Business Investigations Act 1958</i>	FT	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98		To be repealed
<i>Business Names Act 1962</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-98	Started	
<i>Casino (Management Agreement) Act 1993</i>	G	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Removed	Amendment not possible without exposing the Government to damages.

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<i>Casino Control Act 1991</i> (excluding sections 128H to 128L which are administered by the Minister for Major Projects, excepting section 128K(2), which administered by the Minister for Finance)	G	Low	Complex minor	Jul-98	Removed	Amendment not possible without exposing the Government to damages.
<i>Catchment & Land Protection Act 1994</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Cemeteries Act 1958</i>	Hlth	Low	to be determined	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Chattel Securities Act 1987 Part 3</i> (Registrable Goods)	RP and FT	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Chiropodists Act 1968</i>	Hlth	Medium	Simple minor	Dec-96	Responded	Act replaced
<i>Chiropactors & Osteopaths Act 1978</i>	Hlth	Medium	Major	Dec-96	Responded	Act replaced by <i>Chiropactors Registration Act 1996</i> and <i>Osteopaths Registration Act 1996</i>
<i>City of Greater Geelong 1993</i> (excluding Part 5).	PLG	Low	Minor	Dec-96	Removed	Act (excluding Part 5) repealed
<i>City of Melbourne Act 1993.</i>	PLG	Low	Minor	Dec-96	Removed	Act repealed
<i>Civil Aviation (Carriers' Liability) Act 1961</i>	IST	Low	Simple minor	Dec-98		A national review is being considered.
<i>Club Keno Act 1993</i>	G and Tr	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Responded	Act to be amended
<i>Conservation Forests & Lands Act 1987</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Construction Industry Long Service Leave Act 1983</i>	F	High	Simple minor	Jul-96		Act repealed

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<i>Consumer Credit (Victoria) Act 1995</i>	FT	Low	Major	Dec-99	Started	National review underway led by the Tasmanian Justice Department under the auspices of the Ministerial Council on Consumer Affairs.
<i>Control of Weapons Act 1990</i>	PES	Low	Major	Jun-98	Removed	Normal policy review to be undertaken
<i>Co-operation Act 1981</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-98	Removed	Replaced by Cooperatives Act 1996
<i>Corrections Act 1986</i>	C	Low	Simple minor	Jul-97	Responded	Amendments included in <i>Correctional Services Authority Bill</i> currently before Parliament
<i>Council of Law Reporting in Victoria Act 1967</i>	AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97		
<i>Country Fire Authority Act 1958</i>	PES	Low	Major	Dec-99		
<i>Credit (Administration) Act 1984</i>	FT	Low	Major	Dec-99		Awaiting review of Consumer Credit Code.
<i>Crown Lands (Reserves) Act 1978</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Crown Lands (Reserves) Act 1978: various related local Acts</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Cultural & Recreational Lands Act 1963</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-96	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive.
<i>Dairy Industry Act 1992</i>	AR	Low	Major	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Dangerous Goods Act 1985 (section 15)</i>	F	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-96		
<i>Defence Reserves Re-employment Act 1995</i>	FT	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Dental Technicians Act 1972</i>	Hlth	High	Major	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Dentists Act 1972</i>	Hlth	High	Major	Jun-97	Reviewed	

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<i>Discharged Servicemen's Preference Act 1943</i>	FT	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Domestic (Feral & Nuisance) Animals Act 1994</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Dried Fruits Act 1958</i>	AR	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-97	Act repealed	
<i>Drugs, Poisons & Controlled Substances Act 1981</i>	Hlth	Low	Major	Aug-98	This Act will be part of a national review. The Terms of Reference are to be approved by Heads of Government.	
<i>Education Act 1958</i> (establishment of the Ministry of Education, the administration & management of state schools & the regulation of non-government teachers & schools)	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Education Act 1958</i> : Ministerial Order No. 3 1995 (Payment of fees by overseas students) under sections 25A & 84	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Education Act 1958</i> : Ministerial Order No. 4 of 1995 (Distance Education Centre) under sections 25A & 84	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Education Act 1958</i> : Ministerial Order No. 5 of 1995 (English Language Centres) under sections 25A & 84	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Electric Light & Power Act 1958</i>	Tr	Low	Minor	Sep-96	Removed	Act repealed
<i>Electricity Industry Act 1993</i>	Tr	High	Major	Jun-98		Will meet legislative review requirements via industry reform.
<i>Employee Relations Act 1992</i>	IST	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Removed	Victoria's industrial relations powers referred to Commonwealth.
<i>Employment Agents Act 1983</i>	IST	Low	Simple minor	Dec-96		

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<i>Energy Consumption Levy Act 1982</i>	Tr	Low	Minor	Jun-98	Removed	Act repealed
<i>Environment Effects Act 1978 No. 9135</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-98	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Environmental Protection Act 1970</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Jan-97	Started	
<i>Estate Agents Act 1980</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97	Started	
<i>Extractive Industries Development Act 1995</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Jul-99		
<i>Finance Brokers Act 1969</i>	FT	Medium	Simple minor	Jun-97	Responded	Repealing legislation to be passed in Spring 1998 session.
<i>Financial Institutions (Victoria) Act 1992</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-98		To be repealed once jurisdiction passes to Commonwealth under national financial sector reforms.
<i>Firearms Act 1958</i>	PES	High	Major	Jun-98	Removed	Act repealed and replaced by <i>Firearms Act 1996</i> .
<i>Fisheries Act 1968 & 1995</i>	AR	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-99	Started	
<i>Flora & Fauna Guarantee Act 1988</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99	Started	
<i>Food Act 1984</i>	Hlth	Low	Major	Dec-99	Reviewed	National review underway.
Forest agreement Acts (primarily for softwoods) including: Victree Forests Agreement; Australian Newsprint Mill Limited; Bowater-Scott Agreement; Laminex Industries Agreement; Pulpwood Agreement; and Wood Pulp Agreement.	CALM	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-98	Removed	Amendment not possible without exposing Government to damages for breach of contract.
Forest agreement Acts relating to hardwoods, eg <i>Forests (Masonite Agreement) Act 1956</i>	CALM	High	Major	Dec-99		

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<i>Forests Act 1958</i>	CALM	High	Major	Dec-99	Reviewed	
<i>Friendly Societies Act 1986</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-99		Act repealed
<i>Fuel Emergency Act 1977</i>	IST	Low	Simple minor	Sep-97	Reviewed	Review found that the Act does not restrict competition. No amendment necessary.
<i>Fuel Prices Regulation Act 1981</i>	FT	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Fundraising Appeals Act 1984</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-99		To be replaced by new legislation intended to be passed in Spring 1998 session.
<i>Funerals (Pre-Paid Money) Act 1993</i>	FT	Medium	Simple minor	Jun-99	Started	
Further Order Concerning the Use of Display Fireworks [Made on 15 May 1990]	F	Medium	Complex minor	Jul-98		
<i>Gaming & Betting Act 1994</i> (all, except Part 5, Div 2 of Part 6, Part 15 & Division 2 of Part 18, which are jointly administered with the Office of Racing)	G	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98	Started	
<i>Gaming Machine Control Act 1991</i>	G	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98		Review postponed until 2000.
<i>Gas & Fuel (Supply) Regulations 210/1988</i>	Tr	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-97		
<i>Gas Industry Act 1994</i>	Tr	High	Major	Jun-97		Will meet legislative review requirements via industry reform.
<i>Health Act 1958</i>	Hlth	Low	to be determined	Dec-98	Started	Discussion paper to be published in November which will include discussion of NCP issues.
<i>Health Services Act 1988</i>	Hlth	Low	Major	Dec-97	Started	

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<i>Heritage Act 1995</i>	PLG	Low	Complex minor	Dec-00	Started	To follow after first stage of Planning & Environment Act review is completed. Draft Terms of Reference being prepared.
<i>Housing Act 1983 (Part VI)</i>	AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99		
<i>Housing Act 1983 No. 10020</i>	Hsng	Low	Major	Jan-99	Reviewed	
<i>Impounding of Livestock Act 1994</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-96	Started	
<i>Industrial & Provident Societies Act 1958</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-99		To be repealed once jurisdiction passes to Commonwealth under national financial sector reforms.
<i>Kew & Heidelberg Lands Act 1933</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Labour & Industry Act 1958</i>	IST	Low	Simple minor	Jul-97		
<i>Land (Goonawarra Golf Course) Act No. 6/1988</i>	PLG	Low	Minor	Jan-98	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Land Act 1958 (Principal Act)</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Landlord & Tenant Act 1958</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99		
<i>Legal Aid Act 1978 (as amended 1995)</i>	AG	Low	Complex minor	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Liquor Control Act 1987</i>	SB	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-98	Reviewed	
<i>Litter Act 1987</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Started	
<i>Livestock Disease Control Act 1994</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Apr-99		
<i>Local Government Act 1989</i>	PLG	Medium	Major	Jun-97	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Lotteries Gaming & Betting Act 1966</i>	Sp	Low	Minor	Jun-98	Started	See <i>Racing Act 1958</i>

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<i>Lotteries Gaming & Betting Act 1966</i> (all except Parts I, IA, II, III, IV & V which are jointly administered with the Office of Racing)	G	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98	Started	
<i>Marine Act 1988</i> (& Notices made under Section 15)	RP	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Meat Industry Act 1993</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Medical Practice Act 1994</i>	Hlth	Low	Simple Minor	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Melbourne Cricket Ground Act 1933</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Melbourne Market Authority Act 1977</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98		
<i>Mental Health Act 1986</i>	Hlth	Low	to be determined	Dec-00	Started	
<i>Metropolitan Fire Brigades Act 1958</i>	PES	Low	Major	Dec-99		
<i>Mineral Resources Development Act 1990</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Feb-99	Reviewed	
<i>Mines Act 1958</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Feb-98	Started	Review being conducted by Victorian WorkCover Authority
Ministerial Direction No.1, Tendering Provisions	PLG	Low	Complex	Jun-97	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Motor Car Traders Act 1986</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97	Responded	Amendments included in Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal legislation.
<i>Murray Darling Basin Act 1993</i> and other principal legislation relating to interstate sharing and management of resources	AR	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-99		Multi-jurisdictional review planned
<i>Murray Valley Citrus Marketing Act 1989</i>	AR	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Started	Joint review with NSW

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<i>Museums Act 1983</i>	Arts	Low	Complex Minor	Dec-96		
<i>National Parks Act 1975</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-98		
<i>National Rail Corporation (Victoria) Act 1991</i>	Tpt	Low	Major	Dec-00		Review postponed until agreement for the sale of the National Rail Corporation is resolved.
<i>Nurses Act 1993</i>	Hlth	Low	Simple Minor	Dec-98	Started	
<i>Optometrists Registration Act 1958</i>	Hlth	Medium	Major	Dec-96	Responded	Act replaced by <i>Optometrists Registration Act 1996</i> .
Order in Council made on 29 September 1994 published in Gazette No 70 of 3 October 1994	Tr	High	Major	Jun-98	Removed	Order repealed.
Order to Subject to Conditions or Restrictions the Supply & Use of High Risk Carcinogenic Substances	F	Low	Complex minor	Aug-96		
<i>Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Act 1968</i> {excluding: Part II (this part, concerned with the superannuation scheme, is administered by the Minister for Finance)}	Pr	Low	Simple Minor	Jan-97	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive.
<i>Partnership Act 1958</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-99		
<i>Pathology Services Accreditation Act 1984</i>	Hlth	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-97	Started	
<i>Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1982</i>	AR	Medium	Simple minor	Sep-97		
<i>Petroleum Act 1958</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97	Responded	
<i>Petroleum Retail Selling Sites Act 1981</i>	FT	Medium	Complex minor	Jun-99		
<i>Pharmacists Act 1974</i>	Hlth	Medium	Major	Aug-98		Pending decision on national review.

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<i>Physiotherapists Act 1978</i>	Hlth	Medium	Simple minor	Oct-97	Reviewed	<i>Physiotherapists Registration Bill</i> currently before Parliament.
<i>Pipelines Act 1967</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Jul-97	Reviewed	
<i>Planning & Environment Act 1987 No. 45/1987</i>	PLG	Medium	Major	Jan-99	Started	
<i>Planning Authorities Repeal Act 1994 No. 118/1994</i>	PLG	Low	Minor	Jan-98	Removed	Now Part 3(8) of the <i>Planning and Environment Act</i> .
<i>Plant Health & Plant Products Act 1995</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Apr-99		
<i>Police Regulation Act 1958</i>	PES	Medium	Major	Jun-98	Started	Police Board has prepared report on a review of the Act.
<i>Pollution of Waters by Oil & Noxious Substances Act 1986</i>	RP and CALM	Low	Complex Minor	Dec-99	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive.
<i>Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Jul-97	Reviewed	
<i>Private Agents Act 1966</i>	PES	High	Major	Jun-98		Terms of reference for a possible national review developed.
<i>Professional Boxing and Martial Arts Act 1985</i>	Sp	Low	Simple minor	Dec-98		Formerly the <i>Professional Boxing Control Act 1985</i> and <i>Martial Arts Control Act 1986</i> .
<i>Project Development & Construction Management Act 1994 No. 101/199</i>	PLG	Low	Complex	Jun-97	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive.
<i>Property Law Act 1958</i>	AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99		
<i>Prostitution Control Act 1994</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97	Removed	No scope for change due to overriding social policy objectives.
<i>Psychologists Registration Act 1987</i>	Hlth	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Public Authorities Marks Act 1958</i>	PLG	Low	Minor	Dec-96	Removed	Act repealed

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<i>Public Safety Preservation Act 1958</i>	Pr	Low	Major	Mar-98	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive.
<i>Public Transport Competition Act 1995</i>	Tpt	Medium	Major	Dec-99	Started	Review underway in conjunction with Part 6 Division 5 of the Transport Act.
<i>Racing Act 1958</i>	Sp and G	Low	Minor	Jun-98	Started	A review of all of Victoria's racing and betting legislation is scheduled to be completed in October 1998.
<i>Railways (Standardisation Agreement) Act 1958</i>	Tpt	High	Simple minor	Dec-97	Removed	Act repealed.
<i>Registration of Births, Deaths & Marriages Act 1959</i>	AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99	Removed	Act repealed.
<i>Residential Tenancies Act 1980 No. 9514</i>	Hsng	High	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Retirement Villages Act 1986</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99		
<i>Road Safety Act 1986</i>	RP	High	Major	Dec-98	Reviewed	No changes recommended.
<i>Road Transport (Dangerous Goods) Act 1995</i>	F	High	Major	Dec-98		
<i>Rooming House Act 1990 No. 33/1990</i>	Hsng	Low	Minor	Jun-98	Reviewed	
<i>Royal Botanic Gardens Act 1991</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Rules of the Council of Legal Education 1993 201/1993</i>	AG	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Second-Hand Dealers & Pawnbrokers Act 1989</i>	FT	Low	Simple minor	Jun-97	Responded	Has been amended.
<i>Shop Trading Act 1987/ Capital City (Shop Trading) Act 1992</i>	SB	High	Complex minor	Jan-97	Responded	Acts repealed.
<i>Shrine of Remembrance Act 1978</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		
<i>Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Agreements Act 1958</i>	Tr	High	Major	Jun-97		

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<i>South Australian & Victorian Border Railways Act 1930</i>	Tpt	High	Complex minor	Dec-97	Removed	Act repealed
<i>State Electricity Commission Act 1958</i>	Tr	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-97		
<i>State Superannuation Act 1988</i>	F	Low	Minor	Dec-96	Removed	Minor restriction addressed via an amendment passed in 1997.
<i>State Trustees (State Owned Company) Act 1994</i>	Tr	Medium	Simple minor	Jun-97	Responded	Act amended in Autumn 1998
<i>Stock (Seller Liability & Declarations) Act 1993</i>	AR	Medium	Simple minor	Apr-99		
<i>Subdivision Act 1988 No. 53/1988</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Jan-99	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Superannuation (Public Sector) Act 1992</i> {Part 2 (the Act is otherwise administered by the Minister for Finance)}	Pr	Medium	Major	Mar-98	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Surveyors Act 1978</i>	CALM	Low	Minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Tattersall Consultations Act</i> (only sections 4(1), (3) & (4), 5(4) & (5) & section 11 insofar as it relates to the making of regulations for or with respect to sections 4(1), (3) & (4), 5(4) & (5) - these provisions are jointly administered with Treasurer	G and Tr	Low	Complex minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Tattersall Consultations Act 1958</i>	Tr	Low	Minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Tertiary Education Act 1993</i> to provide for promotion, development & co-ordination of post-secondary education in Victoria.	TET	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Therapeutic Goods (Victoria) Act 1994</i>	Hlth	Low	Major	Dec-98	Started	

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<i>Tobacco Act 1987</i>	Hlth	Low	to be determined	Nov-97	Started	
<i>Trade Measurement Act 1995</i>	SB	Low	Simple minor	Dec-98		
<i>Transfer of Land Act 1958</i>	CALM	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99		
<i>Transport Accident Act 1986</i>	Tr	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Transport Act 1983 Part 6: (Traffic Regulation, Registration & Licensing) Division 1 (General Provisions)</i>	Tpt and RP	High	Major	Dec-99		
<i>Transport Act 1983 Part 6: Division 10 (Passenger Ferry Services)</i>	Tpt	High	Simple minor	Dec-96		
<i>Transport Act 1983 Part 6: Division 5 (Commercial Passenger Vehicles)</i>	Tpt and RP	Medium	Major	Dec-99	Started	
<i>Transport Act 1983 Part 6: Division 8 (Tow Trucks)</i>	RP	Low	Major	Dec-00		
<i>Transport Act 1983 Part 6: Division 9 (Commercial Goods Vehicles)</i>	RP	High	Simple minor	Dec-96	Removed	Repealed by the Transport Acts (Amendment) Act 1997
<i>Transport Act 1983 -Part 6: Division 6 (Private Omnibuses)</i>	RP	Low	Simple minor	Dec-99	Removed	Repealed by the Transport Acts (Amendment) Act 1997
<i>Transport Act 1983 -Part 6: Division 7 (Hire & Drive Omnibuses)</i>	RP	High	Complex minor	Dec-96	Removed	Repealed by the Transport Acts (Amendment) Act 1997
<i>Transport Act 1993 Part 3 (Powers of the Corporations)</i>	Tpt and RP	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97		
<i>Transport Act 1993 Part 4 (Financial)</i>	Tpt and RP	High	Complex minor	Dec-97		
<i>Transport Act 1993 Schedule 5 (Provisions with Respect to Roads)</i>	RP	Low	Major	Dec-98		

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<i>Transport Act 1993</i> Schedule 7 (Covenants to be included in Deed of Assignment)	RP	Medium	Simple minor	Dec-98		
<i>Transport Act 1993</i> -Schedule 4 (Further Particular Powers of the Roads Corporation)	Tpt	Low	Major	Dec-98		
<i>Transport Act 1993</i> -Schedule 8 (Classes, Kinds or Descriptions of Goods)	Tpt	High	Simple minor	Dec-96		
<i>Travel Agents Act 1986</i>	FT	Low	Complex minor	Jun-98	Started	National review led by WA being undertaken by a consultant.
<i>Trustee Act 1958</i>	FT	Medium	Major	Jun-98	Started	
<i>Trustee Companies Act 1984</i>	FT	Medium	Major	Jun-98		To be repealed. Uniform legislation under development.
<i>Urban Land Authority Act 1979 No. 9320</i>	PLG	Medium	Complex minor	Jan-99	Removed	Act replaced by the <i>Urban Land Corporation Act 1997</i>
<i>Veterinary Surgeons Act 1958</i>	AR	Low	Simple minor	Dec-96	Removed	Act repealed
<i>Victorian Plantations Corporation Act 1993</i>	Y	Medium	Complex minor	Dec-98		To be repealed in Autumn 1999 session following privatisation of the Corporation.
<i>Victorian Prison Industries Commission Act 1983</i>	C	Low	Complex minor	Jul-99	Removed	Act repealed
<i>Vital State Industries (Works and Services) Act 1992</i>	Pr	Medium	Major	Mar-98	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Vital State Projects Act 1976</i> {excluding ss 5 to 16 (these provisions are administered by the Attorney General)}	Pr	Medium	Major	Mar-98	Removed	Assessed as non-restrictive
<i>Vocational Education & Training Act 1990</i> establishment of State Training Board, TAFE college, Industry Training Boards, accreditation of vocational & training courses by TAFE institutions.	TET	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	

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<i>Vocational Education & Training Act 1990</i> : Governor in Council declarations under s.49 & State Training Board determination of training schemes under s.50	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Vocational Education & Training Act 1990</i> : Guidelines under section 85 on educational services to International Students	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Vocational Education & Training Act 1990</i> : Ministerial direction on fees & charges 1994	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Vocational Education & Training Act 1990</i> : Private Provider Guidelines under section 81	E	Low	Complex minor	Jun-97	Reviewed	
<i>Water Act 1989, Water Industry Act 1994, Melbourne & Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1958, Melbourne Water Corporation Act 1992, Rain Making Control Act 1967</i>	AR and CALM	High	Major	Dec-99		
<i>Water Industry Act 1994 (Part 4)</i>	CALM and AR	Low	Complex minor	Dec-98	Started	To be reviewed with <i>National Parks Act</i>
<i>Wheat Marketing Act 1989</i>	AR	High	Major	Jun-99		
<i>Wildlife Act 1975</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99	Started	
<i>Workers' Compensation Act 1958 (Division 8 of Part 1)</i>	F and AG	Low	Simple minor	Dec-97	Reviewed	
<i>Zoological Parks & Gardens Act 1967</i>	CALM	Low	Complex minor	Dec-99		