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Hon Kate Doust MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Uniform Legislation and Statutes Review
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Ms Doust

I am writing in relation to your correspondence to the Tasmanian Attorney-General, the Hon Vanessa Goodwin MLC, seeking information in relation to mechanisms by which laws are reviewed for the purpose of repeal. The Attorney-General has asked that I provide a response on behalf of the Tasmanian Government.

Any review of a principal Tasmanian Act before it is repealed is done by the agency administering the Act. Any repeals are then recommended to Cabinet. Legislation Repeal Bills have also been prepared on a periodic basis to repeal a number of Acts and pieces of subordinate legislation that are no longer necessary.

Tasmania inserts a sunset clause into amending Acts which repeals the amending Act a certain day after it commences or from the day on which all the provisions of the Act commence if all the provisions of the Act do not commence on the same day. Regulations, Rules and By-laws have an automatic 10 year sunset clause under section 11 of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1992*.

Thank you again for your letter and I trust that this information will be of assistance to your Committee.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Will Hodgman".

Will Hodgman MP
Premier