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Redundant Legislation Repeal Bill 2016

The *Redundant Legislation Repeal Bill 2016* is one of a number of important measures to cut red tape.

This Bill will remove a significant backlog of redundant legislation from the regulatory landscape.

Some of the legislation that has been identified as redundant has been superseded by more current legislation, whilst other legislation no longer serves an effective purpose.

Much of the legislation repealed by this Bill does not have an automatic repeal clause, which are now more commonplace.

The last substantial exercise conducted by this Parliament to remove redundant legislation was back in 2000, when the *Statute Law Revision (Repeals) Act 2000* was passed.

This Bill identifies 114 Acts to be repealed and over 100 regulatory instruments that are spent and need to be rescinded.

This Bill contains three schedules, each dealing with different regulatory instruments:

- Schedule 1 seeks to repeal primary legislation that is redundant;
- Schedule 2 seeks to rescind statutory rules and bylaws that are spent;
- Schedule 3 seeks to revoke proclamations that have expired and serve no useful purpose.

Consultation on this Bill has involved a whole-of-Government approach to reviewing redundant legislation, to ensure that Acts and regulatory instruments repealed by the Bill will not result in unintended consequences.