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Dear Ms Finlay

I refer to your constituency questions asked in the House of Assembly on 7 August 2024, to the Hon Madeleine Ogilvie MP.

"Intervening under the Residential Tenancy Act 1997 via regulation"

The Tasmanian Government is not empowered by the *Residential Tenancy Act 1997* to intervene in a matter where the Act does not apply. This is the purpose of releasing the discussion paper, to identify areas where future reform may be appropriate.

"Intervening under the Building Act 2016 via regulation"

The Tasmanian Government is not empowered to provide the landowner's consent to undertake building works required by the *Building Act 2016*.

"Registration to Work with Vulnerable People (RWVP)"

Regarding RWVP, this is a matter for the Attorney General, the Hon Guy Barnett MP, and I understand the Attorney-General will respond to you.

As the incoming Minister for Small Business and Consumer Affairs I can advise the Tasmanian Government has released a discussion paper which explores law reform in relation to these matters. The discussion paper can be accessed on the Department of Justice website. I enclose a copy of the discussion paper for your reference.

Thank you for raising these important matters.

Yours sincerely

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