

## **FACT SHEET**

### **Repeal of Regulations Postponement Bill 2009**

The *Subordinate Legislation Act* provides for the systematic repeal of subordinate legislation over a rolling 10-year period. If regulations are to continue to have effect they must be remade in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

Each year for a variety of reasons the Government needs to defer the repeal of a number of regulations that fall due for automatic repeal under the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1992*.

This Bill will postpone until 1 January 2011 the automatic repeal of *Rail Safety Regulations 1999*, the *Passenger Transport Regulations 2000* and the *Passenger Transport (Review of Decisions) Regulations 2000* which are due to expire during the next twelve (12) months to ensure that they can continue in operation past those dates.

Deferring the automatic repeal of the regulations when necessary is essential for the effective operation of government and administration of legislation. The making of interim regulations to take effect between the automatic repeal of one set of regulations and the commencement of new regulations often under revised or new Acts can be an unnecessary waste of resources.