

## SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE COSTS OF HOUSING, BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION IN TASMANIA

In 2010, The House of Assembly appointed a Select Committee on the Costs of Housing, Building and Construction in Tasmania with the following Terms of Reference:-

"To inquire into and report upon the Costs of Housing, Building and Construction in Tasmania, including:-

- (a) costs associated with land development;
- (b) costs of Local Government services;
- (c) costs of utility services;
- (d) public policy settings impacting upon building costs;
- (e) cost of statutory levies and contributions;
- (f) costs of builders registrations; and
- (g) other matters incidental thereto."

In its interim report dated 22 November 2011 the committee identified the need to investigate further and make recommendations in relation to an appropriate building industry dispute resolution process for Tasmania.

The committee invites submissions from consumers, practitioners, and organisations who have had experience in previous disputes in Tasmania under the current system.

The committee will not review the outcomes of these disputes, but will focus on the processes used to arrive at the resolutions, with a view to the committee making broad recommendations in relation to an appropriate building dispute resolution process for Tasmania.

The Committee invites interested persons or organisations to make written submissions to the Committee, the closing date for which is **Friday**, **20 April 2012**.

Submissions become Committee documents. Persons making submissions must not release them without the approval of the Committee. Submissions are protected by parliamentary privilege but the unauthorised release of them is not. The Committee encourages the lodgement of submissions in electronic form, however, such submissions **must** include the full name; daytime contact phone number; and postal address of the person/organisation making the submission.

Enquiries and submissions should be directed to:-

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