



**Legislative Assembly
PUBLIC BODIES REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**INQUIRY INTO THE EFFECTS ON GOVERNMENT AGENCIES OF THE
ABOLITION OF THE COMMON LAW IMMUNITY OF NONFEASANCE.**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Public Bodies Review Committee has received a request from The Hon Harry Woods MP, Minister for Regional Development, Rural Affairs and Local Government to inquire and report on:

1. The potential effect of the High Court decision in *Brodie v Singleton Shire Council* and any other cases on NSW state and local government agencies with respect to their public liabilities, insurance premiums as well as maintenance and administration costs;
2. Preventative measures currently being undertaken by NSW state and local government agencies to address their public liability risks;
3. Possible suitable administrative and/or legislative actions which can be undertaken in the absence of nonfeasance immunity;
4. Attempts to address the issue in other jurisdictions;
5. And any other relevant matters.

Individuals and organisations are invited to make a submission (in writing, typed or on disk) to assist the inquiry.

Submissions should be addressed to:

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Alternatively, they can be sent by FAX to (02)9230 3052 or e-mailed to awatson@parliament.nsw.gov.au.

Closing date for submissions is 3 August 2001.

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