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The Hon. Shayne Mallard, MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Social Issues
Parliament House
Macquarie Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000


Dear Mr Mallard

I am writing to refer a matter to the Standing Committee on Social Issues.

Last year, I asked Heritage NSW to develop a discussion paper to assist the NSW Government in undertaking a review of the relevance and effectiveness of the *Heritage Act 1977*.

The attached discussion paper at Attachment A has been developed in consultation with the Heritage Council of NSW. It has been drafted to elicit community views on how to best facilitate the conservation, activation and celebration of our State's heritage. To assist public consultation, the discussion paper outlines a number of key regulatory issues and policy concepts to inform analysis of the current legislative framework.

I request the Standing Committee on Social Issues inquire into and report on the Act and the *Review of NSW Heritage Legislation – Discussion Paper*. Proposed terms of reference are also attached.

Yours sincerely



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Attachment A: Review of NSW Heritage Legislation: Discussion Paper

Attachment B: Review of NSW Heritage Legislation: Terms of Reference