

Modernising Work Health and Safety Laws in Western Australia

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Questions for you to consider:

1. What is the likely cost to implement a specific proposal?
2. What is the benefit to workplace participants?
3. Is a specific recommendation likely to be effective in achieving safer workplaces?
4. Are there any unintended consequences of a proposal?
5. If a new requirement is proposed, what are the costs and benefits?

Recommendation number in the Consultation Paper and/or section number in the model WHS Bill.	Comment (including costs and benefits)
<p>Recommendation is to Adopt a single harmonised document.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The value of a safety and work conditions in Western Australia is the same as in any other State. 2. The amendment of legislation will cost man hours irrespective of what the result of this proposal is. 3. It makes no sense to continue to have different state legislations. It is not possible for me to know what the best possible legislation is but it is possible to know that unnecessary duplication cannot be cost efficient. 4. I teach Units of Competency involving OHS. 5. The qualification is a AQF qualification and must is recognised nationally. <p>It is unlikely that having different legislation in different states can provide a net benefit to the country. The cost of administering and interpreting different legislation cannot possibly in toto be good governance..</p>

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