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## Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

### NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT Legal Profession (Practising Certificate Fees) Regulations 2007

Notice is given in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared to assess the impact of the proposed regulations.

#### **Reason for and objectives of proposed statutory rule**

A practising certificate is required under the **Legal Profession Act 2004** for a person to be a legal practitioner in Victoria. The Act requires that an application for a practising certificate be accompanied by the prescribed fee for the certificate. The proposed Regulations set the prescribed fee from 1 July 2008 until 30 June 2011.

The RIS assesses the costs and benefits of various alternatives and explains why the proposed Regulations are the preferred solution.

#### **Summary of results of RIS**

The RIS has concluded that the fees should be set to reflect the impact of CPI since the fees were last set in 1997.

The proposed Regulations will increase fees for practising certificates from 1 July 2008:

- from \$320 to \$412 for practitioners authorised to receive trust monies; and
- from \$200 to \$256 for practitioners not authorised to receive trust monies.

#### **Availability of RIS**

The RIS and draft Regulations can be obtained at [www.justice.vic.gov.au](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au) and available from Civil Law Policy Branch, Department of Justice, Level 24, 121 Exhibition Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000.

## Comments

Public comments or submissions can be made to Civil Law Policy Branch, Department of Justice, Level 24, 121 Exhibition Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000. All comments must be made in writing, marked 'Practising Certificate Fees RIS' and received by 23 November 2007.

It should be noted that all comments and submissions received will be treated as public documents.

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