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Red Tape Reduction Blueprint Released

Dr Mike Nahan, the Member for Riverton welcomed the release of the 'Reducing the Burden - Report of the Red Tape Reduction Group' report.

"Every Western Australian deserves a public service that delivers an efficient and quality service at the best value for their tax dollars. The State Government and I understand that this is an ongoing process and there is red tape that needs to be slashed," said Dr Nahan.

"The report provides a road map for our Government and outlines 107 recommendations to reduce excessive regulation and red tape for Western Australian businesses and consumers."

"Many recommendations from the report require cultural change in the public service - this has been a theme across our efforts to improve service delivery for taxpayers."

Dr Nahan said the report includes recommendations to:

- streamline heavy vehicle transport regulation to potentially save businesses more than \$16million in a single year
- remove excessive compliance on local governments which would potentially save \$4.8million in a single year
- improve marine and caravan licensing arrangements to potentially save businesses more than \$1.8million in a single year.

"A formal Government response to the report will be announced in coming months. The report follows changes already under way to simplify the planning system, the streamlining of the environmental approvals processes, the creation of a Building Commission and the abolition of the inefficient registration system for hairdressers," said Dr Nahan.

The Red Tape Reduction Group was formed by Colin Barnett and the State Government in January 2009. Reducing the Burden - Report of the Red Tape Reduction Group' is available at <http://www.dtf.wa.gov.au>

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