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CATSI Act Review

# Part 1—Review of operation of Act

Recommendation 3 of the CATSI Act Review final report was:

*It is recommended the CATSI Act be amended to include a provision requiring review of the CATSI Act every seven years.*

Item 1 of the draft Bill is based on this recommendation and inserts Division 643­–Review of operation of Act. The details of this recommendation have been further clarified through the drafting process. Under this new division, the CATSI Act must now be reviewed every 7 years with specific consideration of the effectiveness of the Act as a special measure under the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*. The proposed sections of this division require each review to be completed within 18 months, and obligate the Minister to table the report in the Australian Parliament within 25 sitting days of the completion of the report.