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Dear Peter,

RE: AUTOMATIC MUTUAL RECOGNITION SCHEME CONSULTATION ON AMENDEMENTS TO LICENSING LEGISLATION

On behalf of the Tasmanian Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects (the Institute), we would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Occupational Licencing (Automatic Mutual Recognition Consequential Amendments) Bill 2022 (the Bill), and the amendments that are required to the Architects Act 1929 because of this.

The Institute welcomes the implementation of the Automatic Mutual Recognition scheme and supported the initial changes when they were proposed in 2020 (refer to attached national response, *AMR Feb 2021*). The Institute are supportive of the proposed changes to the Architects Act 1929 Amended, as outlined in the Bill.

The Institute recognises the critical role carried out by the Board of Architects of Tasmania (the Board) in regulating architects, and therefore ensuring consumer protection. We recognise that some of the changes implemented with the Automatic Mutual Recognition scheme will have an impact on the financial operations of the Board and ask the Government to ensure that the Board has sufficient funding to undertake its operations for the benefit of Tasmania.

Kind regards,

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