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About You

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Individual

Individual details

Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent?

Yes

What is your name?

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No

Purpose of the Act

Question 1

No

If not, what changes should be made?:

Roles under the Act

Question 2

2 - who should be consulted?:

Do your research and explore all avenues of people who are available to give Cultural guidance on heritage places.

Question 3

Ineffective

How can the provision to appoint honorary wardens be improved?:

Aboriginal people must be wardens of their own land not non-Indigenous people.

Question 4

No

Role and functions - Minister:

No

Role and functions - Registrar:

No

Role and functions - Committee:

No

Role and functions - DPLH:

What is Protected?

Question 5

Yes

5. How can section 5 be improved?:

Question 6

No

6. How can section 6 / Part VI be improved?:

Question 7

Yes

Additional comments:

Question 8

Yes

8. what needs to be considered?:

Protection and Enforcement

Question 9

No opinion

9. Activities that should require consent or authorisation:

Question 10

10. Criteria to evaluate activities that may affect a site:

The land should not be touched in anyway or form, no building erected, no ground ploughed or dug up etc.

Question 11

11. What is an impact in relation to sacred sites?:

Respect, cultural consideration, cultural advisors etc.

Question 12

12. consent / authorisation for proposals that will affect sites:

Traditional owners

Question 13

Ineffective

13. How s18 can be improved?:

All aspects of Cultural Consideration.

Question 14

14. provisions for long-term protection of sites:

Aboriginal people caring and nurturing their land as they have done before invasion.

Question 15

No

15. How can enforcement provisions be improved?:

White Australians are still being disrespectful to Aboriginal burial grounds and sacred sites. If the Aboriginals were to desecrate the town cemeteries they would be punished by white man's law.

Question 16

Yes

16. How can penalties be improved?:

Yes but it has not been done as yet but hopefully they start dishing out the penalties soon.

Site Assessment and Registration

Question 17

No

17. Why shouldn't a defence be provided?:

Question 18

No

18. What should the criteria be?:

Question 19

No opinion

19. Steps to report place or object:

No opinion

19. Steps to nominate a place or object:

No opinion

19. Steps to assess a place or object:

No opinion

19. Steps to enter a place or object on the Register:

No opinion

19. Steps to amend a place or object on Register:

No opinion

19. Steps to remove place or object from Register:

Other Parts of the Act

Question 20

No opinion

20. What's missing from the Act?:

Question 21

No opinion

21. Sections to be removed from Act?:

Any other comments

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n/a