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TO: SENATORS, MEMBERS AND OTHER BUILDING OCCUPANTS

Correct use of fire doors

1 The purpose of this circular is to remind building occupants of the need to comply with fire prevention measures and regulations.

2 Recently there have been reports of fire doors being "chocked" open, preventing doors from closing in the event of a fire.

3 Fire doors are installed to prevent fire from spreading from one area of the building to another. It is an offence under the *Emergencies Act 2004* to interfere with operation of a fire door.

4 For further information on this matter please contact David Grove on 6277 5159 or email <u>david.grove@aph.gov.au</u> .

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