

Mr Sean Turner
Secretary
Joint Parliamentary Committee on Law Enforcement

Dear Mr Turner

During the public hearing held on Monday 21 September 2020 on the topic of an Australian Standard for privately contracted security and detection dogs, a question was taken on notice by Standards Australia.

In response to the question:

How many Australian Standards are called up by the Australian Government in regulation?

Unfortunately, we don't have a precise number given issues in relation to the availability of data and consistency of referencing across different jurisdictions. Our best estimate across State and Territory, and Commonwealth law and regulation is that approximately 30% of our catalogue of Australian and International Standards is referenced in some way.

This includes where standards are referenced as one means of demonstrating compliance as opposed to a mandatory requirement. An example of this would be the Australian Standards referenced in the National Construction Code adopted by State and Territory regulations.

We hope this information is of assistance. If there is any additional information required by the committee, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards
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