

STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS REMUNERATION ACT 1975

REPORT AND DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 14 (1) OF THE ACT

REPORT:

1. Pursuant to section 14 of the *Statutory and Other Offices Remuneration Act 1975* (the Act) the Statutory and Other Offices Remuneration Tribunal (the Tribunal) will make a determination concerning the remuneration to be paid to Members of Consumer Trader and Tenancy Tribunal (CTTT).
2. The *Consumer Trader and Tenancy Tribunal Act 2001*, which was proclaimed on 24 February 2002, provided for the establishment of the CTTT. The CTTT has been established as the new specialist dispute resolution forum combining the jurisdictions of the former Fair Trading Tribunal and the Residential Tribunal. The operations of the CTTT are divided into the following 8 divisions: home building, residential parks, motor vehicle, retirement villages, tenancy, general, strata and community schemes and commercial.
3. The former Minister for Fair Trading, the Hon John Watkins MP, wrote to the Premier on 12 October 2001 seeking a special reference to direct the Tribunal to determine the remuneration payable to the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson (Determinations), Senior Members and Members of the CTTT. As the CTTT had not yet been proclaimed, the Premier asked that the Tribunal make a recommendation in respect of the remuneration payable to Members to prevent any further delay in recruitment action.
4. On 18 December 2001 the Tribunal recommended to the Minister for Fair Trading, the Hon John Aquilina MP, that Members of the CTTT receive remuneration in accordance with the salaries and allowances determined for members of the former Fair Trading Tribunal as of 1 October 2001. The recommended rates were as follows:

• Chairperson	\$179,065
• Deputy Chairperson	\$164,600
• Senior Member	\$132,840
• Member	\$125,220

5. In addition to the abovementioned salaries, the Tribunal also recommended that the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Senior Members receive a motor vehicle allowance of \$12,000 per annum. This allowance is currently under review by direction of the Premier following recent amendments to the SOOR Act.

6. As the *Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal Act 2001* was proclaimed to commence on 25 February 2002 it is now necessary for the Tribunal to determine the remuneration payable to the members of the CTTT in accordance with that Act

7. In making this determination, the Tribunal has reviewed the former Minister's submission to the Premier in regard to this matter. Since making its initial recommendations the Tribunal has not been provided with any new information which would suggest any significant change to the role and responsibilities of Members.

8. Having regard to the above, the Tribunal considers that the remuneration payable to the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson (Determinations), Senior Members and Members of the Tribunal should remain at those levels recommended by the Tribunal in December 2001. The Tribunal will further consider the remuneration paid to the members of the CTTT during the annual review, and would welcome a submission from the CTTT at that time.

DETERMINATION:

Pursuant to section 14 of the Statutory and Other Offices Remuneration Act 1975, I determine that the following salaries and allowances will be payable to the members of the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal with effect from 25 February 2002.

	Salary	Motor Vehicle Allowance
• Chairperson	\$179,065	\$12,000
• Deputy Chairperson (Determinations)	\$164,600	\$12,000
• Senior Member	\$132,840	\$12,000
• Member	\$125,220	

**The Statutory and Other Offices
Remuneration Tribunal**

Gerry Gleeson

Dated: 23 April 2002