

## **AIB Policy on Consolidation of Building Legislation**

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- 2.2.1 Building legislation should be consolidated into one act, which includes:
- a. Replacement of joint and several liability with proportionate liability;
  - b. Accreditation of building practitioners (contractors, architects, engineers, designers and surveyors);
  - c. Mandatory insurance; and
  - d. Maintenance of essential safety and health requirements in buildings.
- 2.2.2 A Building Act should satisfy the objectives of:
- a. Binding the Crown by provisions of the legislation;
  - b. Protecting the health, safety, amenity and social needs of building users;
  - c. Establishing appropriate standards;
  - d. Clearly allocating responsibilities;
  - e. Maintaining public order in respect of building construction and use;
  - f. Protecting customers who use building practitioners;
  - g. Promoting sustainability;
  - h. Underpinning an efficient building industry; and
  - i. Being consistent with legislation in all other states and territories.