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INTRODUCTION

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For the first time, the index is alphabetically arranged, not by chapter but by subject. It is the aim to have all material relating to the same subject appear in one place in the index. It is no longer necessary to know the title of a particular Act in order to find the relevant references in the index. For example, most references from the *Conveyancing and Law of Property Act* can be found under the heading LAND.

All references are cited by chapter and section. Act names do not appear except where the whole of an Act is itself a subject.

Subject headings reflect as closely as possible the subject of the statutory material, but the actual wording of the Act may not be used. For example, PERSONAL PROPERTY SECURITY INTERESTS is derived specifically from the *Personal Property Security Act*.

Some subject headings deal with legal concepts which may never be expressed as such in the Act, for example, BURDEN OF PROOF, CONFIDENTIALITY, JUDICIAL REVIEW.

The index contains both general and specific subject headings. It may be necessary to look under more than one heading to find all relevant references. For example, CATTLE, LIVE STOCK, ANIMALS and DAIRY COWS are all headings which may relate to the same subject in more or less detail.

For each section of an Act, there are either entries or cross-references under every significant heading. Comprehensive cross-references have been used to guide the reader. Words not used as subject headings are cross-referred to the appropriate subject heading. For instance, MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS appears as a heading, with a cross-reference DOCTORS see MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS. There are further cross-references between related headings, for instance REMUNERATION see also WAGES AND SALARIES.

