Further information on the progress of this inquiry can be obtained from

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Methods of dispute resolution

The Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs has recently released a discussion paper entitled, *Methods of Dispute Resolution*. It is the fourth discussion paper arising out of its 'cost of legal services and litigation' terms of reference.

The paper discusses different processes and techniques of dispute resolution, the principles of dispute resolution, the Australian experience, overseas developments, and other issues and concerns about the methods of dispute resolution.

The Committee seeks comments on the discussion paper. Copies of the discussion paper paper should be addressed to The Secretary Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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NSW administrative law

On 20 March 1992, the Royal Institute of Public Administration Australia and the Australian Institute of Administrative Law will jointly sponsor a seminar on the present and future directions of State administrative law in New South Wales. The seminar will hear speakers on the system of parliamentary scrutiny of public administration, the system of tribunals and judicial review, and the future of administrative review in New South Wales. Those interested in attending the seminar should contact Robyn Henderson on (02)228 3705.

TRIBUNAL WATCH



Participants at a plenary session of the Commonwealth Tribunals Conference

Commonwealth Tribunals Conference

On 18 and 19 October 1991, the Council hosted the inaugural Commonwealth Tribunals Conference. It was attended by the Heads and members of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, the Immigration Review Tribunal, the Social Security Appeals Tribunal, the Student Assistance Review Tribunal and the Veterans' Review Board. It was also attended by the President and members of the Council and staff of its Secretariat.

The theme of the conference was 'Procedures of Commonwealth Administrative Review Tribunals'. A paper of the same title was pro-

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