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Short statement.

The requirement for continuing professional development is long overdue, and is essential for ensuring the confidence of the public in licence holders.

However, the requirements must be specific and transparent in legislation.

This does 3 key things.

1. Gives Licence holders the confidence that requirements have or have not been met.
2. Avoids third party entities providing fraudulent courses that do not meet requirements.
3. Avoids the requirements been changed on the whim of a change of leadership.

It is also worth the consideration that

1. The requirement may as an option be completed online, this is especially relevant post Covid_19. This also gives regional licence holders a more realistic option of completion.
2. A timeline that spans the entire period of renewal. Not two years before renewal. That is also to say 2 to 3 years before or after renewal. This is also relevant post Covid_19.
3. Specifying first aid training as a requirement. Because safety.
4. An alternative means of assessment. Such as a licence holder engaging in or completing qualifications above the minimum requirement for the licence (Cert III to Cert IV and above).
5. Including the cost of any required course material in the Licence fee. Valid for any approved third party entity.
6. For the case of registration and renewal of contractors specifically, an acknowledgement of their criminal responsibility in the case of negligence for safety.

Regards,

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