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## NEWSLETTER

30 October 2015

### New Bill to Address Domestic & Family Violence in Queensland

On 15 September 2015, the [Coroners \(Domestic and Family Violence Death Review and Advisory Board\) Amendment Bill 2015](#) was introduced into the Queensland Parliament in response to the recommendations outlined in the [Not Now, Not Ever](#) report produced by the Special Taskforce on Domestic and Family Violence in Queensland earlier this year. Legislative changes are a key part of the Government's plan to combat the increasing prevalence of domestic and family violence in Queensland.



Fiona Manderson

[Fiona Manderson](#) (Senior Associate) & [Rebekah Smith](#) (Law Clerk) discuss the establishment and purpose of the Domestic & Family Violence Death Review and Advisory Board. You can read the article [here](#).

### Is your Commercial Lease (or Retail Shop Lease) Incentive/Inducement subject to GST?

In an increasingly competitive market, an incentive / inducement may be offered by a landlord or a tenant in order to secure a lease of a commercial premises or a retail shop. Incentives / Inducements may consist of monetary consideration (e.g. reimbursements for expenses, payments for a specific purpose etc.) or non-monetary consideration (fitouts, motor vehicles, holidays etc.) or a combination of both.



Andrew Lind

[Andrew Lind](#) (Director) & his team discuss GST in relation to that inducement. You can access this article [here](#).

### Start-ups - Increased Incentives to Assist Entrepreneurs in Starting a Business

In the wake of the Intergenerational Report, focus at both State and Federal levels on innovation and enterprise has increased. Support for small to medium enterprises/businesses and start-ups has been bolstered in the form of additional incentives and grants.



James Tan

[James Tan](#) (Lawyer) & [Matthew Shearing](#) (Graduate Law Clerk) provide a summary on some grants available to new and expanding businesses. You can access the article [here](#).

### Unfair Work Conditions for Overseas Workers

All workers in Australia are entitled to a minimum standard of workplace rights and protections including: reasonable remuneration, fair treatment, equitable conditions of employment and the right to join and be represented by a trade union. Unfortunately, such rights are not enjoyed by numerous individuals who have travelled to Australia and validly commenced employment.



Eduardo Cruz

[Eduardo Cruz](#) (Senior Associate) & [Rebekah Smith](#) (Law Clerk) discuss valid visa type and reports of widespread exploitation that invoked a government enquiry. Access the article [here](#).

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