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## Book review

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### QUEENSLAND BUILDING SERVICE

*Queensland Building Service* by Stephen Pyman, Clay Anderson, and Colin Macleman. (Thomson Reuters, 2008). Three volumes, incl index. Price: \$1,620.

“Current, comprehensive, and convenient”; this valuable service indeed is. It does live up to its claim of providing up-to-date law plus expert insight when and where you need it, both online and in three looseleaf volumes.

National uniformity has, unfortunately, been eroded in a number of construction areas, particularly the application of the Building Code of Australia and the security of payment legislation. Commendably, these three well-known authors cover the field in Queensland, where construction is, in truth, very active.

Now that security of payment claims are increasing so rapidly in Queensland, the annotations with relevant case law, including that from other States, are especially valuable.

Similarly, the formidable Queensland Building Services Authority is so significant in its reach that most practitioners will appreciate the material and annotations provided by the learned authors.

Although all three authors are well known in the industry, potential buyers may be somewhat confused about their respective contributions. Both the promotional material and the frontispiece represent the work as being by all three of them and in the order listed above. However, the individual volumes suggest otherwise. The reader is immediately given the representation that Mr Pyman is the author of only volume 3 and that Mr Macleman and Mr Anderson only are the authors of volumes 1 and 2. Perhaps the publisher could readily clarify this in both the promotional material and the frontispiece or preface.

Technically, the production is excellent and a pleasure to use.

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