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LRC 101—Response to Access to Justice: The Report of the Justice Reform Committee, 1988

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In 1987 the Justice Reform Committee was formed to make British Columbia's justice system more "accessible, understandable, relevant, and efficient for all those it seeks to serve." While their mandate as a law reform body is complementary to the Law Reform Commission, several of their recommendations hit upon issues that the Commission previously addressed, or are in the process of addressing.

The Justice Reform Committee referred several statutes to the Commission: the *Limitation Act*, the *Negligence Act*, the *Patients Property Act*, the *Municipal Act*, the *Workers Compensation Act*, and the *Insurance Act*. The Committee also addressed certain issues such as encouraging settlement, and the press for plain language in statutes. The Commission responds to these recommendations by detailing the previous work done on the topic and any potential issues that might arise should they take on the suggested projects.