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## DIY Renovators Targeted in New Asbestos Awareness and Education Campaign

Increasing awareness and understanding of asbestos among Do-It-Yourself (DIY) home renovators is a major focus of a new campaign launched today.

While WorkSafe Tasmania regulates asbestos risk management in the workplace, those renovating their own properties are often not fully aware of risks and best practices.

With DIY home renovation becoming more and more popular in recent years, we want to ensure that everyone can readily access key information and facts.

That's why WorkSafe Tasmania, in conjunction with the federal Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency, has developed an Asbestos Awareness and Education Campaign, which I was pleased to launch this afternoon.

The multimedia campaign urges Tasmanians undertaking any renovation work to check the WorkSafe website – <a href="www.worksafe.tas.gov.au/asbestos-safety">www.worksafe.tas.gov.au/asbestos-safety</a> – before picking up their tools to learn more about:

- Common asbestos locations,
- Asbestos facts and myths, and
- How to safely manage asbestos.

The Liberal Government is a strong supporter of our building industry – including the DIY sector – and we want to ensure everyone can safely go about their work.