

1.25 The Committee believes that it would not be feasible or useful to explore the case for fundamental reform at this time. However, we do not wish to suggest that this situation will continue indefinitely. It is evident to us that, on the long view, the environment and sustainable development are as crucial to the future of Canada as are the major items that are the focus of current constitutional proposals. If, during the next decade, the constitution appears to be a barrier to effective action on environment and sustainable development, fundamental reform will need to be considered.