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RURAL WOMEN NEW ZEALAND (INC) SUBMISSION

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Introduction

Rural Women New Zealand (RWNZ) welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission to the Justice Select Committee on the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Community Participation) Amendment Bill.

Comments

1. RWNZ supports the key aim of the Bill: to improve communities' ability to influence alcohol regulation in their area.
2. We promote community involvement in decision making to ensure decisions are fit for purpose and do not have unintended consequences for communities. It is pleasing to see the efforts being made to give communities a voice in the alcohol licensing process.
3. It is hoped this legislation will ensure the process is as effective and accessible as possible for communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.

About Rural Women New Zealand

Rural Women New Zealand (RWNZ) is a not-for-profit, member-based organisation that reaches into all rural communities to provide a credible and respected voice on rural environment, health, education, technology, business and social issues.

RWNZ strives to ensure that all rural residents, workers and families have equitable access to services, inequalities are addressed by Government, and the wellbeing of rural communities is considered from the beginning of all policy and legislative development.

RWNZ is affiliated to the Associated Country Women of the World and as such upholds all United Nations, ILO, FAO and WHO conventions and outcome statements as they relate to women and rural women in particular.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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Gabrielle O'Brien
Chief Executive