ALCOHOL LAW REFORM PROCESS

Law Commission Report to Government

Alcohol in Our Lives – Curbing the Harm

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Government Response

Policy statement presented by Minister of Justice Hon Simon Power on 23 August 2010

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New legislation
Alcohol Reform Bill

Expected to be made public mid October. It will be available at www.parliament.nz
The Bill will be formally introduced to Parliament with speeches from Government and Opposition MPs.
The Bill will propose changes to a number of Acts.

Select Committee

The Bill is sent to the Justice and Electoral Select Committee (you can find out who's on the committee at www.parliament.nz)

The Committee will call for written submissions likely to be November. Anyone can make a submission. Submitters can also ask to appear before the Committee.

Written submissions likely to be due early 2011

Select Committee considers Bill.

Oral submissions likely to be heard in Feb/March 2011

Select Committee report back to Parliament approx May 2011

Parliament debates

Parliament votes June/July

Legislation passed into law

Comes into force on specified date

NEW LAW
The Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act
Before the next election in 2011

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