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Dear Mr Landaus

I have received the copy of your letter of 11.11.14. I have also looked at the material on your website. I note that you quote a part of the Law Society's submission on that site.

The Law Society does make public submissions on the workability of legislation as part of the public legislative process (as can any person or body). Those submissions are the views of the Law Society at that time and based on specialist committee volunteers' views. It is a matter for the government and parliament of the day what they choose to bring into law. Once a bill is passed, and legislation is in force, amendment of that law is also a matter for government and parliament. The Law Society rarely makes submissions on policy nor does it generally seek changes to legislation outside of that public legislative process. As such, it is more appropriate for you to contact your local member of parliament in relation to this matter.

In addition, our governing legislation prohibits us from giving legal advice or assistance to members of the public. You may be able to find a lawyer to assist you by using the "find a lawyer" option on the Law Society's website ([www.lawsociety.org.nz](http://www.lawsociety.org.nz)).

Yours sincerely

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