Have your say:
Tell select committees and Parliament what you think
When you give your opinion on a topic to a select committee, we will tell Parliament what you think. Here’s how it works:

1. Parliament sometimes needs more information about a topic
   Parliament’s House of Representatives can ask a select committee for more information and recommendations about a topic. We have 13 committees looking at different subjects.

2. We need you to have your say
   To help inform Parliament about a topic, a committee sometimes seeks your opinion through public submissions. Your feedback (or evidence) helps Parliament to fully understand the topic and how it affects you.

3. Find out when you can have your say
   To let you know what we are seeking submissions on, we advertise, tell the media, put information on our website, social media, and Parliament TV.

4. Make your submission
   Everyone’s submissions are welcome. Your submission tells Parliament what you like, dislike, or would change about a topic. Please send your written submission through our website or by post. If you have any questions you can send us an e-mail.

5. Thanks for your submission!
   You’ll get a message from the committee to say your submission was received. We will also give you instructions on how to add more information to your submission if you want to.

6. We’ll consider what you’ve told us
   Once all of the submissions have been received, the members of Parliament on the committee consider what you have said.

6a. Follow the topic
   You can follow the topic in the media, on our website, social media, and Parliament TV. You can also attend an open public meeting. The meeting schedule lets you know the times and location.

7. Talk to us
   In your submission you can ask to speak to the committee in person. We will contact you with more information if you are selected.

8. Speaking to the committee
   When you speak to the committee, the members of Parliament may want to ask you questions. We are happy for you to bring along extra information to support your opinion.

9. We share with Parliament what we’ve learnt
   Once the committee has reached a conclusion based on everyone’s submissions and official advice, we’ll share our findings and recommendations with Parliament. The topic then goes on to the next stage in Parliament.

10. We share our report with everyone
    The committee’s report, and everything related to it, is put on our website for everyone to see.

Thank you Fa'afetai lava Tēnā koutou
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