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Tēnā Koe

I have the following submissions:

1. Consultation with iwi:
 - Has this Bill had due consultation with iwi?
 - Do many Maori organisations use the Incorporated Societies structure?
 - The bill doesn't appear to have a bicultural flavour.
2. Template clauses for inclusion in any Inc Soc constitution
 - I suggest that there be templates of new, replacement or even old clauses which are required to be in any constitution
3. Winding up an Inc Soc which has debts or obligations. The only winding up clause assumes that there are assets to distribute. A process for winding up when there are debts or obligations to consider should be in the legislation. For example, I know of two organisations where this is or may be applicable. These examples make such a provision very necessary. Even a clause pointing to a company liquidation process would be helpful.
 - One has a facility (a pontoon) with a small Inc Soc which is folding and another organisation will need to be found to take over the facility, its insurance and maintenance obligations.
 - The other example is a club with a building which they can no longer afford to maintain as occupancy has dropped off and insurance and other obligations are onerous. The club may have to walk away from the building as it is not saleable.

I hope this is helpful.

Ngā mihi

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