

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

Trade Practices Amendment (Liability for Recreational Services) Bill 2002

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The Secretary
Senate Economics Committee
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Dear Sir,

**Re: Inquiry into the Trade Practices Amendment
(Liability for Recreational Services) Bill 2002**

The Country Women's Association of Victoria Inc. wishes to submit the following concerns for consideration by the Senate Economics Legislation Committee Enquiry.

1. We feel there needs to be a definition of what is included in recreational services, ie walking, running, horse riding, rock climbing etc.
2. Who will determine what is an inherently risky activity?
3. We recommend the supplier of recreational services needs to be accredited by law in the services that he/she is providing.
4. To assist consumers in evaluating the risks involved in the recreational service, a rating of risk level should be introduced.
5. We are concerned that individuals would lose their rights to sue if the recreational service provider is negligent in act or word in producing due care and skill.
6. Our final concern is the concept of self assumption of the risk or danger by individuals, particularly pertaining to minors and people with mental illness and physical disabilities.

We thank the Senate Economics Committee for the opportunity to participate in this vital inquiry.

Yours faithfully,

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