Your submission to Zero Carbon Bill

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Clause 1. What process should the Government use to set a new emissions reduction target in legislation?

Position
The Government sets a goal to reach net zero emissions by the second half of the century and the Climate Change Commission advises on the specific target for the Government to set later.

Notes

Clause 2. If the Government sets a 2050 target now, which is the best target for New Zealand?

Position
Net Zero Carbon Dioxide - Reducing net carbon dioxide emissions to zero by 2050

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Clause 3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?

Position
Domestic emissions reductions (including from new forest planting) and using some emissions reductions from overseas (international carbon units) that have strong environmental safeguards

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Clause 4. Should the Zero Carbon Bill allow the 2050 target to be revised if circumstances change?

Position
Yes

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Clause 5. The Government proposes that three emissions budgets of five years each (i.e. covering the next 15 years) be in place at any given time. Do you agree with this proposal?

Position
No

Notes

Clause 6. Should the Government be able to alter the last emissions budget (i.e. furthest into the future)?

Position
Yes - each incoming Government should have the option to review the third budget in the sequence

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Clause 7. Should the Government have the ability to review and adjust the second emissions budget within a specific range under exceptional circumstances? See p36 Our Climate Your Say

Position
Yes

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Clause 9. Should the Zero Carbon Bill require Governments to set out plans within a certain timeframe to achieve the emissions budgets?

Position
No
### Clause 10
What are the most important issues for the Government to consider in setting plans to meet budgets? For example, who do we need to work with, what else needs to be considered?

**Notes**
- Economic development of the country and security of existing industries

### Clause 11
The Government has proposed that the Climate Change Commission advises on and monitors New Zealand's progress towards its goals. Do you agree with these functions? See p42 Our Climate Your Say

**Position**
- No

**Notes**

### Clause 12
What role do you think the Climate Change Commission should have in relation to the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS)?

**Position**
- Advising the Government on policy settings in the NZ ETS

**Notes**

### Clause 13
The Government has proposed that Climate Change Commissioners need to have a range of essential and desirable expertise. Do you agree with the proposed expertise? See p45 Our Climate Your Say

**Position**
- No

**Notes**

### Clause 14
Do you think the Zero Carbon Bill should cover adapting to climate change?

**Position**
- No

**Notes**

### Clause 15
The Government has proposed a number of new functions to help us adapt to climate change. Do you agree with the proposed functions? See p47 Our Climate Your Say

**Position**
- No

**Notes**

### Clause 16
Should we explore setting up a targeted adaptation reporting power that could see some organisations share information on their exposure to climate change risks?

**Position**
- No

**Notes**