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LAW COMMISSION RELEASES CONSULTATION PAPER ON CLASS ACTIONS

Te Aka Matua o te Ture | Law Commission has today released a Supplementary Issues Paper on class actions and is now seeking public feedback. Submissions are open until 12 November 2021.

“We have considered all the feedback we received on our first Issues Paper and confirm our view that Aotearoa New Zealand should have a statutory class actions regime” said Commission President Amokura Kawharu, lead commissioner on the class actions and litigation funding review. “We think class actions can be an efficient way of managing multiple claims and a means of improving access to justice. We are now inviting feedback on some detailed class actions issues to assist us in developing a class actions regime for Aotearoa New Zealand.”

As the [2020 Issues Paper](#) contained a comprehensive discussion of litigation funding issues, it has not been necessary to seek further feedback on litigation funding. We are continuing to develop our proposals in this area.

The Supplementary Issues Paper invites feedback on 54 questions on class actions, with feedback due by 12 November. The Commission’s final report on class actions and litigation funding is due in May 2022.

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