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Submission to the WA Government, Economics and Industry Standing Committee Re: Franchising Bill 2010.

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am a franchisee in the WA franchising community.

I am not a lawyer, so I will probably have to pay one to tell me what this Bill means for me and my business – or rely on what others tell me.

At the moment, others tell me the new laws could create more uncertainty, not more confidence.

Either way, I am wary. I am wary of new rules which may add to the cost of franchising in this State.

I am also concerned at any initiative which creates uncertainty or more conflict as I know that is likely to be negative to the value of my business.

My question is 'how will these new rules add value to the sector overall or to my business?' Are you able to assure me these new rules will add value to my business? If not, then I have to question the wisdom of putting them in place.

Franchising is a national sector and I believe it is best regulated nationally, not with different rules in different states.

If there is not a clear advantage in putting these new laws in place, then they should be re-thought.

Yours sincerely,

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