

Update on the Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys Amendment Bill

Parliament's Commerce Committee has reported back to the House on the Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys Amendment Bill.

In its report, the Committee has made three recommendations to amend the Bill:

- Removal of "unity of invention" as a ground for opposing the grant of a patent;
- Removal of single application and single examination processes;
- Make a minor, consequential amendment to the Evidence Act 2006.

The Bill is now waiting for its second reading.

For more information on the Commerce Committee's report, please visit the [New Zealand Parliament website](https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/reports/document/51DBSCH_SCR69593_trans-tasman-patent-attorneys-and-other-matters) (https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/reports/document/51DBSCH_SCR69593_trans-tasman-patent-attorneys-and-other-matters).

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