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Dear Sir

Re: Safe Night Out Legislation Amendment Bill 2014

Thank you for your letter of 10 June 2014 providing me with an opportunity to make a submission on behalf of the Court.

I note the proposed changes to the *Bail Act 1980* and the *Summary Offences Act 2005* which impact on this Court.

Whilst I make no comment about the policy intent and the effect of the proposed amendments to the various Acts under this Bill, I am always concerned about the flow-on effect on judicial time in court.

At this stage there would appear to be no adverse workload implications for the Magistrates Court. I will, however, be monitoring this and will advise the Attorney-General in the usual way.

Yours sincerely

Orazio (Ray) Rinaudo ACTING CHIEF MAGISTRATE