

**24. DUAL MEMBERSHIP OF COMMUNITY BOARDS AND TERRITORIAL AUTHORITIES**

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The Chairperson has asked that this matter be placed before the Board for discussion and, if agreed a recommendation of support.

Attached is a copy of an extract from a letter from the Department of Internal Affairs including a copy of a private members Bill seeking amendment to the Local Government Act as it relates to Membership of Community Boards, - Section 1012Q amended by adding – ‘No person to hold Office as an elected member of a community board and territorial authority....’

This Bill is being supported by the Auckland City Council.

Like all Private Members Bills it will go into the Ballot for a slot in the Government’s legislative programme. However, if the change to the legislation does not occur through this Bill, there is a chance it could be included in the Local Government Law Reform Bill. Given the support the proposal has, there is a reasonable possibility of the present legislation being amended prior to the next elections in 2001.

**For discussion.**