



## MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT

### MEDIA RELEASE

#### **Public release — Competition and Regulatory Authority Bill 2019 & Telecommunications Bill 2019**

The *Cook Islands Telecommunications Market Competition Policy 2019* was released in May 2019. The draft policy sets out the Government's plans to open up the Cook Islands telecommunications market to competition.

The draft legislation that will give effect to the policy has now been released for public consultation. The Government is seeking industry and community feedback on the policy and legislation. The Government will also be holding two community meetings on this topic:

- 6pm Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019, Calvary Hall, Arorangi
- 6pm Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October, Titikaveka, Sunday School Hall.

The draft legislation is available on MFEM's website at <http://www.mfem.gov.ck/economic-planning/telecommunications-reform-2019> or can be obtained by either contacting the MFEM Economic Planning Division on 29511 or via email at [mfem.economics@cookislands.gov.ck](mailto:mfem.economics@cookislands.gov.ck).

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