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**From:**

**Sent:** 11 June 2013 16:47

**To:**

**Cc:** Enquiry Enquiry (Other Government Departments)

**Subject:** BIS Proposal

Dear [Member of Parliament]

As one of your constituents, I write to you regarding the BIS proposal and the investigations surrounding the leased and tenanted business model for pubs.

I am a proud employee of Enterprise Inns and also a supporter of the local pub. I am becoming increasingly concerned that there doesn't seem to be any support for pub companies or their employees. Our Publican's are important to us and from their initial enquiry to their first day, they are supported throughout the journey, with ongoing support once they are in their pub. We have a code of practice and strict processes to follow in order to comply with this, which works.

The current system offers a low cost, lower risk entry into running a pub business with a huge amount of support for the aspiring Publican. With the new proposals there would be less support for the Publicans resulting in more closed pubs, less tax revenue and more personally, several hundred job losses at Enterprise.

Please see the facts and don't be blinded by the claims made by CAMRA and the campaign groups who have completely misguided information. We are constantly hearing from the same politician's that our Publican's pay over the odds for their beer but what they don't understand is that the Publicans pay a lower rent.

The past five years have seen four wet summers, the smoking ban, cheap alcohol in supermarkets, the recession, changing consumer habits and rising costs put a real strain on the pub industry. Treasury tax has risen by 19% in four years to £1 in very £3 taken across the bar. Enterprise has worked hard to help our Publican's survive by offering rent reductions and discounts and invested in our pub estate, our income per pub has fallen. Despite all this, it's the Pubco's that get the blame for closing pubs. What is the Government doing to help the industry? The BIS proposal will only make things worse.

We don't want to see our pubs closed, it doesn't' make sense.

Please advise what actions you will take to ensure that Pubs and Pubco's like us are treated fairly.

Yours sincerely