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To whom it may concern.

I am a current employee of Admiral Taverns and have worked in the licensed trade for over 25 years. Over the years I have seen many changes, both good and bad to this heavily regulated industry.

I am very concerned that the relationship between tenants and myself may ultimately suffer if the current government consultation results in a statutory code and further government legislation.

Since the implementation of the I.F.C. the relationship between the Business Development Managers and tenants is stronger than ever.

The self regulation within our industry really works and I would urge you to give this more time to really take effect before any form of government regulation is even considered.

I feel the introduction of a statutory code would distance us as business development managers from our tenants and it would be a sad state of affairs to see the relationship develop into just one of 'commercial landlord and tenant'.

Admiral Taverns recently picked up the accolade of Publican Morning Advertiser leased and tenanted pub company of the year.

As an employee it makes me feel really proud that we have achieved this award through building relationships, building businesses and down right hard work.

It does seem to be a small minority group that are urging the government to consult and push for a statutory code and I strongly urge that we do not go down that path.

Yours Sincerely