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EXCUSE FOR SCRAPPING OF BDR
UNBELIEVABLE

Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says the statement by the Chief Minister that the BDR simply did not work is unbelievable and just pure spin.

These are the facts

- The CLP opposed the BDR legislation in 2011 – there were no statistics
- The CLP made the scrapping of the legislation an election promise – with only about 3 months statistics released
- The CLP scrapped the BDR on the day after the election – the BDR had only been in operation 12 months

Gerry says the facts are

- To statistically prove if the BDR was effective or not, it needed to run over a much longer period – at least 3 years
- The legislation needed time to operate to see if amendments were needed to improve its effectiveness
- The BDR was part of a bigger package which included alcohol courts.

There was no science in the decision to scrap the BDR, just pure politics aimed to win the votes of drinkers at the election.

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