

Justice	Rights of Indigenous Peoples and native title property rights are protected by International law.	A property right is a property right, until it is sold. We'd be breaking the law.
Discrimination	If we take foreshore from Maori we must take it from Pakeha owners too.	Why are individual owners exempt from the legislation?
Treaty rights	Maori text acknowledges chiefs' tino rangatiratanga over their whenua.	Even the English text's article two guarantees hapu the full, exclusive and undisturbed ownership of all their lands, forests and fisheries...
Once more into the breach	Most of their land has already been taken from Maori through legislation like this. "No raupatu (confiscation law) in our time!"	We'd be creating a new grievance our children will have to rectify and pay compensation for.
Where's the ref?	Can't the Waitangi Tribunal mediate between hapu and the Crown?	Prevention is better than cure. Give the Tribunal veto powers over new anti-Maori Acts.
Long-term remedy	What about some constitutional change to allow negotiation between the Crown and hapu, towards consensus, on all issues of interest?	The churches have done it already, and the sky hasn't fallen down.....

Hapu ownership of seabed and foreshore benefits all New Zealanders

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Local economies	Hapu ownership and development rights guarantee locally owned and operated businesses, with profit staying in the community to benefit all.	Buy local! Keep profits in NZ and multinationals out.	Better resource management	The Resource Management Act talks Treaty but in practice it's business as usual. Local government should already be co-governing (not only the coast) with hapu leadership anyway...one culture, one vote, action by consensus.	Maori ownership rights underpin Maori management rights.
Locally grown	Pakeha groups have developed working relationships with Maori organisations in most areas of community life. We know and trust each other locally!	Community groups are working on Treaty-based decision-making relationships - the Government now needs to start.	Maori economic independence	If Maori can sustainably develop their coastal resources, more people can be employed in remote areas.	Why shouldn't Maori benefit economically from their own resources? Fiscal independence now!
The record so far	Hapu have been gracious in allowing continuous unfettered access to their coastal property for others since first contact.	They have not and will not stop access. Other people do! Marinas, ports, foreign owners, millionaires, etc.	Foreshore, offshore	Hapu land can't be sold to overseas developers. There is no guarantee the Crown won't sell after a law change.	Collective hapu ownership guarantees beaches for all New Zealanders for all time - locally owned and controlled. Remember Rogernomics!
On balance	"By fair means and foul", the Crown took most of their land.	Let's leave them their seas.			
Kaitiakitanga	Hapu have, or are, developing environmental management plans greener than councils.	Iwi resource managers would not allow sewage discharges to the sea	Due process	The judiciary would be undermined by Parliament. Towards dictatorship! Not in our name...	It's really all about money. State control of exclusive economic zone. Gazillions of dollars in resources at stake, for sale to multinationals. Hapu or Treasury control - you choose.
Access	Private, wealthy (non-Maori) owners of the foreshore are more likely to refuse access to general public than Maori	Remember Waiheke and the toilet paper millionaire....			