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LEANZ Essay Competition

\$3,000 prize

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The Law and Economics Association of New Zealand, Inc. (LEANZ) is pleased to announce an exciting new essay competition for current (or recent) students.

We invite you to submit an academic essay that approaches a legal or public policy issue using an economic analysis (or specifically addresses the failings of such an analysis). Economic analysis means an analysis focussing on **efficiency** of outcomes and the **incentives** on the subjects of the rule or policy in question. The essay should recognise the significance of legal instruments and institutions in creating or moulding the incentives.

What is LEANZ? We are a voluntary organisation of professionals, academics, students and others who are interested in the analysis of legal and policy questions using an economic framework. Together with partner professional services firms and other organisations, we host free monthly seminars in Auckland and Wellington on a diverse range of topics. All are welcome to attend.

For more information on law and economics and our seminars:

www.leanz.org.nz

Other entry criteria:

- Deadline for submissions **Monday, 7 May 2018**.
- Open to under- and post-graduate university students or recent graduates of any New Zealand university faculty (enrolled in the 12 months prior to deadline for submissions).
- 5,000 (min.) to 15,000 (max.) words with no adverse inferences drawn from essay length, provided the subject matter is well-addressed.
- The relevant style guide of the entrant's faculty must be followed.
- Essays that have also been submitted to complete university course requirements in the 18 months preceding the deadline are also eligible.
- Judging panel will be made up of some of the LEANZ committee and LEANZ Fellows <http://leanz.org.nz/membership/fellowship>
- Entry eligibility and prizes shall be awarded at the sole discretion of the judges, who may also award a discretionary \$1,500 prize for a high-quality runner-up.
- The winner and top entries will be invited to present the paper at a LEANZ seminar event in 2018.

Register interest and send any questions to: andreas.heuser@treasury.govt.nz