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## **Albanese must rethink card ban**

Christian advocacy group FamilyVoice Australia is urging the federal government to rethink its ban on cashless welfare cards.

“FamilyVoice Australia applauds the use of cashless welfare cards as a strategy to combat the wrong use of welfare payments, especially for buying alcohol, and the card scheme should be expanded nationally,” said FamilyVoice spokesman David d’Lima.

“The problem of using welfare cards to access buy-now-pay-later services should be addressed, but not through scrapping the cashless welfare card scheme,” he said.

“The federal government should reconsider its ban and urgently release its modelling of the impact the ban on cashless welfare cards may have on alcohol abuse.

“The federal government needs to be transparent about what impact making alcohol readily attainable will have on closing the gap.”

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