

Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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North Island Weather Events and Nelson Floods Regulations 2023

Portfolio Social Development and Employment

On 2 October 2023, Cabinet:

- noted that on 18 September 2023, the Cabinet Business Committee agreed to exempt insurance pay-outs for people affected by the North Island Weather Events and Nelson floods of August 2022 from income and cash asset tests for social security assistance for a period of 12 months from receipt of payment [CBC-23-MIN-0018];
- **authorised** the submission of the following Amendment Regulations to the Executive Council to give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above:
 - 2.1 Social Security (Cash Assets and Income Exemptions Severe Weather Events) Amendment Regulations 2023 [PCO 25851/2.0];
 - 2.2 Residential Care and Disability Support Services (Exempt Assets Severe Weather Events) Amendment Regulations 2023 [PCO 25852/2.0];
 - 2.3 Student Allowance (Income Exemptions Severe Weather Events) Amendment Regulations 2023 [PCO 25853/2.0];
- noted that the Amendment Regulations come into force on 6 November 2023.

Rachel Hayward Secretary of the Cabinet