

Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Social Security (Temporary Additional Support North Island Weather Events TAA Programme) Amendment Regulations 2023

Portfolio Social Development and Employment

On 24 August 2023, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 noted that in July 2023, Cabinet agreed to exclude the payments provided as part of North Island Weather Events – Temporary Accommodation Assistance (NIWE TAA) from the definition of chargeable income in the Social Security Regulations 2018 for the purposes of Temporary Additional Support and to ensure people who receive the NIWE TAA cannot also claim their temporary accommodation costs as an allowable cost for Temporary Additional Support [CAB-23-MIN-0312];
- 2 **noted** that the Social Security (Temporary Additional Support—North Island Weather Events TAA Programme) Amendment Regulations 2023 give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above;
- 3 **noted** that Cabinet has agreed to waive of the 28-day rule for these amendments to the Social Security Regulations 2018 as the regulatory changes confer only benefits on individuals [CAB-23-MIN-0312];
- 4 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Social Security (Temporary Additional Support--North Island Weather Events TAA Programme) Amendment Regulations 2023 [PCO 25785/2.0].

Rebecca Davies Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Carmel Sepuloni Hon Kelvin Davis Hon Grant Robertson (Chair) Hon Andrew Little Hon David Parker Hon Barbara Edmonds Hon Rachel Brooking Hon Jo Luxton **Officials present from:** Office of the Prime Minister Officials Committee for LEG