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Kāinga Ora Pilot Winter Energy Study: Exemption from income definition under the Social Security Act 2018

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15 March 2023, Paper -Kāinga Ora Pilot Winter Energy Study: Exemption from Income Definition under the Social Security Act 2018

15 March 2023, Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee, Minute of Decision SWC-23-MIN-0014, Cabinet Office.

Amendments to the Social Security Regulations 2018 and the Student Allowance Regulations 1998 to ensure that subsidies provided as part of Kāinga Ora's Pilot Winter Energy Study are excluded as income for the purposes of the Social Security Act 2018, the Public and Community Housing Management Act 1992, and the Student Allowance Regulations.

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• Section 9(2)(b)(ii) - to protect the commercial position of the supplier of the information.

Please note – the Cabinet paper had a typographical error in Recommendation 5: the amendments are to give effect to the decision in recommendations *3 and 4 above*, not *4 and 5 above*. This does not have a substantive change on the assessed impact and cost of the policy.

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