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| <b>Minister</b>               | Hon Poto Williams   | <b>Portfolio</b>            | Building and Construction |
| <b>Title of Cabinet paper</b> | Building Amendment Bill proposals for regulations: Release of Discussion Document | <b>Date to be published</b> | 10 June 2021              |

### List of documents that have been proactively released

| <b>Date</b>   | <b>Title</b>   | <b>Author</b>                                       |
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| 14 April 2021 | <i>Building Amendment Bill proposals for regulations: Release of Discussion Document</i> | Office of the Minister of Building and Construction |
| 14 April 2021 | Cabinet minute: DEV-21-MIN-0072  | Cabinet Office                                      |

### Information redacted

**YES**

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Some information has been withheld to maintain legal professional privilege and the constitutional convention protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.

The appendix *Building System Reform: Proposals for regulations for Building Product Information Requirements; Modular Component Manufacturers; and Product Certification Discussion Document* has not been included as it has already been published on MBIE's website.



# Cabinet Economic Development Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Building Amendment Bill: Proposals for Regulations: Release of Discussion Document

**Portfolio**                      **Building and Construction**

On 14 April 2021, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV):

- 1        **noted** that there are systemic problems limiting the efficiency and quality of building work and preventing fair outcomes when things go wrong;
- 2        **noted** that the Building (Building Products and Methods, Modular Components, and Other Matters) Amendment Bill (the Bill) proposes changes to:
  - 2.1      enable the creation of a new voluntary certification scheme for modular component manufacturers;
  - 2.2      introduce information requirements for building products;
  - 2.3      strengthen the product certification (CodeMark) scheme;
- 3        **noted** that regulations are required to implement the reforms proposed in the Bill;
- 4        **agreed** to the release of the discussion document *Building System Reform: Proposed Regulations for Building Product Information Requirements, Modular Component Manufacturers, and Product Certification* (the discussion document), attached to the paper under DEV-21-SUB-0072, for public consultation;
- 5        **authorised** the Minister for Building and Construction to make minor amendments and refinements to the discussion document and supporting documents before they are released;
- 6        **noted** that the Minister for Building and Construction also intends to notify parties to the World Trade Organisation Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement of the proposed regulations;
- 7        **invited** the Minister for Building and Construction to report back to DEV in Confidential advice to Government on the outcome of the consultation and seeking agreement to final policy proposals for building system regulations proposed under the Bill.

Janine Harvey  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)  
Hon David Parker  
Hon Nanaia Mahuta  
Hon Poto Williams  
Hon Damien O'Connor  
Hon Stuart Nash  
Hon Willie Jackson  
Hon Michael Wood  
Hon Dr David Clark  
Hon Phil Twyford  
Rino Tirikatene, MP  
Dr Deborah Russell, MP

**Officials present from:**

Office of the Prime Minister  
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