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Minister	Hon Carmel Sepuloni	Portfolio	ACC
Title of Cabinet paper	Updating the Review Costs Regulations: Approval to Consult	Date to be published	28 February 2022

List of documents that have been proactively released		
Date	Title	Author
8 April 2021	Options for updating the Review Costs Regulations	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
21 April 2021	Review Costs Regulations – detailed options for consultation	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
24 November 2021	Updating the Review Costs Regulations: Approval to Consult	Office of the Minister for ACC
29 November 2021	Cabinet Minute of Decision, Updating the Review Costs Regulations: Approval to Consult [SWC-21-MIN-0193 refers]	Cabinet Office

Information redacted

YES / NO

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Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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On 24 November 2021, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee (SWC):

- 1 **noted** that updating the review costs in the Accident Compensation (Review Costs and Appeals) Regulations 2002 (the Regulations) completes the last of the recommendations from the Independent Review of Acclaim Otago's report into Accident Compensation Dispute Resolution Processes (the Dean Review) in 2016, which recommended the maximum rates under the Regulations be increased by more than just inflation;
- 2 **noted** that there has been a significant amount of time since the Dean Review was conducted and delays caused by COVID-19 over the last two years have meant work on updating the Regulations was put on hold until now;
- 3 **approved** the release of the public consultation document *Proposed Amendments to the Accident Compensation (Review Costs and Appeals) Regulations 2002*, attached under SWC-21-SUB-0193;
- 4 **noted** that consultation is scheduled to be undertaken in early 2022;
- 5 Confidential advice to Government

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern
Hon Grant Robertson
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan

Officials present from:

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Officials Committee for SWC