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On 16 May 2022, following reference from the Cabinet Legislation Committee, Cabinet:

- 1 **noted** that the Income Insurance (Enabling Development) Bill (the Bill) holds a category two priority on the 2022 Legislation Programme (must be passed in the year);
- 2 **noted** that the Bill provides ACC with statutory authority to undertake preparatory work to develop the operational requirements for the income insurance scheme;
- 3 **noted** that the Bill does not commit the government to proceed with, or to use ACC as the delivery agent for, the scheme, and that officials will provide advice on this following analysis of public submissions in late June or early July 2022;
- 4 **noted** that on 29 September 2021, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV) authorised the Minister of Finance to make decisions and approve matters of detail, consistent with the agreed policy, on any issues that arise in the course of drafting the Bill [DEV-21-MIN-0198];
- 5 **noted** that the Minister of Finance has approved the following policy matters for the Bill:
 - 5.1 the Bill be drafted as a standalone Bill, rather than an amendment to the Accident Compensation Act as noted by DEV [DEV-21-MIN-0198];
 - 5.2 a Treaty of Waitangi provision be included, which obligates ACC to engage with Māori and be purposeful in developing a scheme that will work for Māori;
 - 5.3 information sharing provisions be included, that authorise ACC to use information it receives from government agencies for the purpose of setting up the systems and processes for the establishment of an income insurance scheme (namely for system testing);
- 6 **approved** the Income Insurance Scheme (Enabling Development) Bill [PCO 24260/11.6] for introduction, subject to the final approval of the government caucus and sufficient support in the House of Representatives;
- 7 **agreed** that the Bill be introduced on 19 May 2022 as Budget legislation, and that it pass through all stages to be enacted on 19 May 2022;

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- 8 **authorised** the Parliamentary Counsel Office to make any minor or technical changes to the legislation before the Bill is introduced to the House;
- **9 agreed** that the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment will work closely with the Office of the Privacy Commissioner on any subsequent income insurance scheme legislation enabling the sharing of personal information, which will include the development of appropriate information sharing mechanisms and privacy protections.

Michael Webster Secretary of the Cabinet