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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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On 23 June 2022, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that on 11 April 2022, Cabinet agreed to adjust immigration fee and levy rates following the 2022 Immigration Fee and Levy Review [CAB-22-MIN-0121];
- 2 **noted** that the Minister of Immigration has approved minor changes to immigration fee and levy rates under the delegation authorised by Cabinet, to reflect the intended policy direction of the 2022 Immigration Fee and Levy Review [CAB-22-MIN-0121];
- 3 **noted** that on 8 December 2021, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee approved the drawing down of funding for the Budget 2020 initiative Improving the System for Refugee Family Reunification, including waiving fees for the Refugee Family Support Category visa from 1 July 2022 [DEV-21-MIN-0262];
- 4 **noted** that the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 give effect to the decisions referred to in paragraphs 1 to 3 above;
- 5 **noted** that a waiver of the 28-day rule is sought:
 - 5.1 so that the regulations that give effect to the waiving of fees for the Refugee Family Support Category visa applicants and sponsors can come into force on 1 July 2022;
 - 5.2 on the grounds that they will only confer benefits on the regulated parties;
- 6 **agreed** to waive the 28-day rule so that the regulations that give effect to the waiving of fees for the Refugee Family Support Category visa can come into force on 1 July 2022;
- 7 **agreed** that the parts of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 will come into force at the following times:
 - 7.1 Amendments to give effect to waiving fees for the RFSC visa on 1 July 2022
 - 7.2 Amendments to fee and levy rates following the 2022 Immigration Fee and Levy Review from 11.59pm on 31 July;
- 8 **authorised** submission to the Executive Council of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 [PCO 24731/5.0].

Rebecca Davies
Committee Secretary

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Hon Andrew Little
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Michael Wood (Deputy Chair)
Hon Kiri Allan
Hon Dr David Clark
Dr Duncan Webb, MP (Senior Government Whip)

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