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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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On 3 March 2022, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that on 1 February 2022, Cabinet agreed to reopen offshore applications for Working Holiday Scheme visas on 13 March 2022 at 11:59 pm, as part of Step 2 of the Reconnecting New Zealanders Strategy [CAB-22-MIN-0008];
- 2 **noted** that the decision in paragraph 1 requires a consequential change to Regulation 9A of the *Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Regulations 2010*, which currently precludes most offshore foreign nationals from applying for temporary entry class visas, including Working Holiday Scheme visas;
- 3 **noted** that on 20 December 2021, Cabinet agreed to waive the 28-day rule for any necessary amendment to regulations to implement the Reconnecting New Zealanders Strategy [CAB-MIN-21-0551];
- 4 **noted** that the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above;
- 5 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 [PCO 24590/2.0].

Rebecca Davies
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon David Parker
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Kris Faafoi*
Hon Michael Wood
Hon Kiri Allan
Hon Dr David Clark
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Kieran McAnulty, MP

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