

# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## **Minute of Decision**

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# **Corrections Amendment Bill: Supplementary Order Paper**

#### Portfolio Corrections

On 15 October 2019, the Cabinet Legislation Committee, having been authorised by Cabinet to have Power to Act [CAB-19-MIN-0532]:

#### 1 **noted** that in:

- August 2019, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee agreed to amendments to the Bill relating to: strip searching of prisoners vulnerable to self harm; review of mother and baby placement decisions; availability of information about complaints processes; use of mechanical restraints during hospital visits; powers and functions of Health Centre Managers; use of Police jails; search powers and denial of entry; the destruction of recordings and the disclosure of information; and strip searching following an escorted outing [SWC-19-MIN-0105];
- 1.2 September 2019, Cabinet agreed to amend the Bill to amend the Corrections Act 2004 to give the Department of Corrections a power to withhold mail where the content is likely to promote or encourage hostility towards any group of persons on the grounds listed in section 21 of the Human Rights Act 1993 [CAB-19-MIN-0427];
- **noted** that the Supplementary Order Paper to the Corrections Amendment Bill attached to the submission under LEG-19-SUB-0152 gives effect to the above decisions;
- noted that the Corrections Amendment Bill holds a category 3 priority (to be passed if possible in 2019) on the 2019 Legislation Programme;
- 4 **agreed** that the Minister of Corrections release the Supplementary Order Paper to the Corrections Amendment Bill [PCO 18726-1/14.0] before the Bill's Committee of the Whole House stage.

Gerrard Carter Committee Secretary

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#### IN CONFIDENCE

LEG-19-MIN-0152

#### Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters Hon Kelvin Davis Hon Andrew Little (Chair) Hon Stuart Nash Hon Iain Lees-Galloway Hon Tracey Martin Hon Kris Faafoi Hon Eugenie Sage

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## Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister Officials Committee for LEG