



# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### COVID-19: Extension of Tax Measures

#### Portfolio Revenue

On 10 March 2022, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

#### Use of money interest remission

- 1 **noted** that the Taxation (Extension of COVID-19 Interest Remission) Order 2022 extends the ability for Inland Revenue to remit use of money interest (UOMI) for taxpayers significantly adversely affected by COVID-19 until 8 April 2024;
- 2 **agreed** that the Taxation (Extension of COVID-19 Interest Remission) Order 2022 give effect to this extension of UOMI relief;
- 3 **noted** that a waiver of the 28-day rule is sought:
  - 3.1 so that the Taxation (Extension of COVID-19 Interest Remission) Order 2022 can come into force on 25 March 2022;
  - 3.2 on the grounds that this will allow the Order in Council to be in force on the day immediately following the current expiry date for the power to remit UOMI, ensuring that there are no periods in time during which UOMI cannot be remitted;
- 4 **agreed** to a waiver of the 28-day rule so that the Taxation (Extension of COVID-19 Interest Remission) Order 2022 can come into force on 25 March 2022;
- 5 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Taxation (Extension of COVID-19 Interest Remission) Order 2022 [PCO 24538/5.0];
- 6 **noted** the following changes to the operating balance and net core Crown debt as a result of extending UOMI relief:

	\$m – increase/(decrease)				
<b>Vote Revenue Minister of Revenue</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	<b>2024/25</b>	<b>2025/26 &amp; Outyears</b>
Tax Revenue	(0.730)	(2.910)	(2.180)	-	-
<b>Operating Balance and Net Core Crown Debt Impact</b>	<b>0.730</b>	<b>2.910</b>	<b>2.180</b>	-	-

	\$m – increase/(decrease)				
<b>Vote Revenue Minister of Revenue</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	<b>2024/25</b>	<b>2025/26 &amp; Outyears</b>
Impairment of Debt and Debt Write-Offs	(0.570)	(2.290)	(1.720)	-	-
<b>Operating Balance Only Impact</b>	<b>(0.570)</b>	<b>(2.290)</b>	<b>(1.720)</b>	-	-

7 **agreed** to charge the net operating balance impact, as shown in the tables at paragraph 6 above, against the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund established as part of Budget 2020;

### COVID-19 information sharing power

8 **noted** that the Tax Administration (Extension of Power to Disclose Information Relating to COVID-19 Response) Order 2022 extends the ability for Inland Revenue to share information regarding COVID-19 related activities with government agencies until 31 March 2022;

9 **agreed** that the Tax Administration (Extension of Power to Disclose Information Relating to COVID-19 Response) Order 2022 give effect to this extension of the COVID-19 information sharing power;

10 **noted** that a waiver of the 28-day rule is sought:

10.1 so that the Tax Administration (Extension of Power to Disclose Information Relating to COVID-19 Response) Order 2022 can come into force on 17 March 2022;

10.2 on the grounds that this will allow the Order in Council to be in force from the day of the current expiry date until the day the proposed open-ended time limit comes into force, ensuring that there are no periods in time during which information sharing in relation to COVID-19 activities cannot occur;

11 **agreed** to a waiver of the 28-day rule so that the Tax Administration (Extension of Power to Disclose Information Relating to COVID-19 Response) Order 2022 can come into force on 17 March 2022;

12 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Tax Administration (Extension of Power to Disclose Information Relating to COVID-19 Response) Order 2022 [PCO 24575/6.0].

Rebecca Davies  
Committee Secretary

#### Present:

Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)  
Hon Dr Megan Woods  
Hon Carmel Sepuloni  
Hon Andrew Little  
Hon Poto Williams  
Hon Michael Wood  
Hon Kiri Allan  
Hon Dr David Clark  
Hon Meka Whaitiri  
Hon Phil Twyford  
Kieran McAnulty, MP

#### Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister  
Officials Committee for LEG