

**Timeline for repeal of s7AA**

<b>To</b> Hon Karen Chhour, Minister for Children			
<b>Date</b>	31 January 2024	<b>Deadline</b>	31 January 2024
<b>Reference number</b>	B-0058	<b>Priority</b>	High
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**Purpose**

- 1 This aide memoire provides a timeline setting out the process of repealing section 7AA of the Oranga Tamariki Act (the Act). The timeline identifies the shortest timeframe for repeal, while noting points where timings may vary or cannot be estimated at this point. The timeline outlined is based on a full repeal of section 7AA.

**Timeline to repeal section 7AA**

- 2 The process for repealing legislation is relatively straightforward. However, there are steps that are required to be taken to make changes to primary legislation. These steps include the drafting of a Cabinet paper that goes through agency and ministerial consultation before you approve it, and it is lodged for Cabinet. Once the Cabinet paper has been approved by the Social Wellbeing Committee (SWC) it then needs to be approved by Cabinet, which then provides formal approval for the Parliamentary Counsel Office (PCO) to draft a Bill. Once completed the Bill is submitted to the Cabinet Legislation Committee seeking to be introduced into the House.
- 3 We understand that repealing section 7AA is your highest legislative priority and have taken that into account as we prepare separate advice for you on submitting bids for your legislative programme.

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**Next steps**

- 8 The drafting of the Cabinet paper requesting the repeal of section 7AA and the Oranga Tamariki Regulatory Impact Statement are currently in progress. Further information on the repeal process and associated timeframes can be provided, if required.

**Sign-off**  
 Minister for Children

Hon Karen Chhour  
 Minister for Children  
 Date signed:

**Sign-off**  
 Oranga Tamariki  
 s9(2)(a)

**Acting Deputy Chief Executive, System Leadership**  
 Date signed: 31 January 2024

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