

1 April 2020

Mary Phillips

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Our ref: OIA 80957

Dear Ms Phillips

Official Information Act request: Fines

Thank you for your email of 5 March 2020 requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information about private organisations imposing fines.

Due to the need for consultation regarding the information, and the impact of the Government's level 4 lockdown, due to Covid-19, on the Ministry's ability to do so, a response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. Accordingly, I am extending the time limit for response to this request by 40 working days under section 15A of the Act and will respond to you by 3 June 2020. We will endeavour, however, to get a response to you before that time if possible.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to complain to the Ombudsman about the decision to extend the time for responding to your request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by emailing info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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