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Tēnā koe Nikau

### **Request under the Official Information Act 1982 – Privacy and Turnitin**

Thank you for your email of 1 December 2023, requesting the following information from Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology (Te Pūkenga):

*Can I please have any documents related to privacy and the use of turn it in. Including the analysis done to make sure it complies with nz privacy laws.*

This letter provides a formal decision on your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

### **The decision**

Many business divisions of Te Pūkenga use Turnitin to ensure academic integrity. We are not aware of any specific analysis carried out on Turnitin and its use within Te Pūkenga in relation to New Zealand's privacy laws and, during our research for your request, we have not located any analysis that may have been done by divisions of Te Pūkenga when they were independent entities and commenced use of Turnitin.

However, we can direct you to the following resources:

- The *Privacy Act 2020* regulates how Te Pūkenga collects and uses information, and can be found here: [www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2020/0031/latest/LMS23223.html](http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2020/0031/latest/LMS23223.html)
- Te Pūkenga *Privacy Notice* is publicly available here: [www.xn--tepkenga-szb.ac.nz/privacy-notice/](http://www.xn--tepkenga-szb.ac.nz/privacy-notice/)
- Turnitin also has a *Privacy Policy*, which can be found here: [https://help.turnitin.com/Privacy\\_and\\_Security/Privacy\\_and\\_Security.htm](https://help.turnitin.com/Privacy_and_Security/Privacy_and_Security.htm)

Taking the points above into consideration, we have decided to refuse your request with reliance on sections 18(d) and 18(e) of the OIA:

- some of the information requested is publicly available (as per weblinks provided above)
- the document alleged to contain the information requested (regarding any analysis done) does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA if you are not happy with this response. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi



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