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Erika Whittome Via FYI.org.nz

Dear Erika

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received on 16 June 2024. You asked:

"Has Worksafe ever prosecuted another agency for impersonating health and safety functions, roles and/or powers under HSWA?"

## **Our Response**

As at 16 June 2024, WorkSafe has not conducted any prosecutions under sections  $180^1$  and  $188^2$  of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision, and further information is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>.

If you require further assistance, please contact <a href="ministerial.services@worksafe.govt.nz">ministerial.services@worksafe.govt.nz</a>.

Yours sincerely

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**Chief Legal Advisor** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 No 70 (as at 23 December 2023), Public Act 188 Offence to impersonate health and safety medical practitioner – New Zealand Legislation</u>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 No 70 (as at 23 December 2023), Public Act 180 Offence to impersonate inspector – New Zealand Legislation</u>