

# Hon Tracey Martin

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Kris Wehipeihana  
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Dear Mr Wehipeihana

## Request under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 26 February 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*"Please provide any evidence that the Select Committee acted beyond its purview by incorporating results of submissions into this Bill."*

Your request included opinion that the Select Committee acted beyond its purview regarding the Births, Deaths, Marriages and Relationships Registration Bill. It is unclear where this opinion originated from, or who expressed it. There is no information falling within scope of your request. As the information you have requested does not exist, your request has been refused under section 18(e) of the Act.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of my decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. The postal address of the Office of the Ombudsman is PO Box 10152, Wellington. Alternatively, you can phone 0800 802 602 or email [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Tracey Martin', written over a large, stylized flourish.

Hon Tracey Martin  
Minister of Internal Affairs