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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Consumer Information Standard (Unit Pricing for Grocery Products) 2023

Portfolio Commerce and Consumer Affairs

On 27 July 2023, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that in May 2022, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV) agreed to implement mandatory unit pricing for grocery products [DEV-22-SUB-0114];
- 2 **noted** that in December 2022, DEV agreed on policies to implement this decision [DEV-22-MIN-0279], specifically:
 - 2.1 agreed to implement mandatory unit pricing through regulations under section 27 of the Fair Trading Act 1986,
 - 2.2 agreed on the policy settings for mandatory unit pricing regulations,
 - 2.3 authorised the release of an exposure draft of mandatory unit pricing regulations,
 - 2.4 authorised the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (the Minister) to make decisions on minor issues in response to feedback on the exposure draft;
- 3 **noted** that some technical amendments were made following consultation on the draft Consumer Information Standards (Unit Pricing for Grocery Products) Regulations 2023;
- 4 **noted** that following consultation, the Minister also agreed that the requirement to display unit pricing should not apply to online sellers and stores that have been selling regulated grocery products for a total period of less than twelve months;
- 5 **noted** that the Consumer Information Standards (Unit Pricing for Grocery Products) Regulations 2023 will give effect to the decisions referred to in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 above;
- 6 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Consumer Information Standards (Unit Pricing for Grocery Products) Regulations 2023 [PCO 25260/16.0];
- 7 **noted** that the Consumer Information Standards (Unit Pricing for Grocery Products) Regulations 2023 will come into force on 31 August 2023, which is 28 days after the expected date of notification in the New Zealand Gazette.

Rebecca Davies Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair) Hon Andrew Little Hon David Parker Hon Kieran McAnulty Hon Barbara Edmonds Hon Dr Duncan Webb Hon Dr Deborah Russell Tangi Utikere, MP (Chief Government Whip) Officials present from:

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