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Minister	Hon Dr Megan Woods	Portfolio	Energy and Resources
Title of Cabinet paper	Gas Act 1992: Report back on emerging technologies, gas market information disclosure, and penalties	Date of release	28 May 2020

List of documents that have been proactively released			
Date	Title	Author	
23 October 2019	Gas Act 1992: Report back on emerging technologies, gas market information disclosure, and penalties	Office of the Minister of Energy and Resources	
23 October 2019	Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee Minute of Decision (ENV-19-MIN- 0055)	Cabinet Office	
18 February 2020	Gas (Information Disclosure and Penalties) Amendment Bill: Approval for Introduction	Office of the Minister of Energy and Resources	
18 February 2020	Cabinet Legislation Committee Minute of Decision (LEG-20-MIN-0016)	Cabinet Office	

Information redacted

YES /-NO

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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Gas (Information Disclosure and Penalties) Bill: Approval for Introduction

Portfolio Energy and Resources

On 18 February 2020, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- noted that the Gas (Information Disclosure and Penalties) Amendment Bill will strengthen the regulation-making powers in the Gas Act 1992 to provide for enhanced information disclosure requirements of the gas market and to ensure that settings around enforcement and penalties are suitably robust;
- 2 **approved** the Gas (Information Disclosure and Penalties) Amendment Bill [PCO 21907/6.0] for introduction, subject to the final approval of the government caucuses and sufficient support in the House of Representatives;
- agreed that the Bill be introduced as soon as practicable;
- 4 **agreed** that the government propose that the Bill is:
 - 4.1 referred to the Economic Development, Science and Innovation Committee for consideration;
 - 4.2 enacted by 31 July 2020.

Gerrard Carter Committee Secretary

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Present:

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Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)

Hon Andrew Little

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Hon Stuart Nash

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