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<b>Minister</b>	Hon Erica Stanford	<b>Portfolio</b>	Immigration
<b>Title of Cabinet paper</b>	Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025	<b>Date to be published</b>	6 October 2025

### List of documents that have been proactively released

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21 August 2025	Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 LEG-25-MIN-0163 Minute	Cabinet Office

### Information redacted

**NO**

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# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025

**Portfolio**                      **Immigration**

On 21 August 2025, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1        **noted** that in May 2025, the Cabinet Economic Policy Committee (ECO) agreed to the implementation of the Parent Boost Visitor Visa and:
  - 1.1      agreed to set the immigration fee for the Parent Boost Visitor Visa application at \$1,940 for standard applicants and \$1,390 for applicants eligible for the Pacific fee band;
  - 1.2      agreed to set the immigration levy for the Parent Boost Visitor Visa at \$1,060;
  - 1.3      agreed to set the immigration fee for the Compliance with Conditions check at \$325 for standard applicants and \$240 for applicants eligible for the Pacific fee band;

[ECO-25-MIN-0069]
- 2        **noted** the requirement to amend regulation 26AA of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission and Related Matters) Regulations 2010 to introduce a clause allowing for the Parent Boost Visitor Visa's Compliance with Conditions check fee;
- 3        **noted** that in June 2025, ECO:
  - 3.1      agreed to rename the Entrepreneur Category Visa to the Business Investor Visa;
  - 3.2      authorised the Minister of Immigration to make further decisions to give effect to policy objectives and key settings;

[ECO-25-MIN-0100]
- 4        **noted** that the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 will give effect to the decisions above;
- 5        **noted** that the paper under ECO-25-SUB-0100 did not clearly seek agreement to apply the existing levy rates to the Business Investor Visa despite this being the policy intent, and that the Minister of Immigration has agreed to this in line with her delegated authority;

- 6 **noted** that the existing Entrepreneur Category Visas will be retained alongside the Business Investor Visas, to allow for existing applications to be processed and for renewals of work visas (where necessary);
- 7 **noted** that section 403A of the Immigration Act 2009 requires that amendment regulations be made only on the recommendation of the Minister of Immigration, and that the Minister of Immigration recommends that these be made;
- 8 **noted** that the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 come into effect on 29 September 2025 for the Parent Boost Visitor Visa and on 24 November 2025 for the Business Investor Visa;
- 9 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 [PCO 28205/6.0].

Tom Kelly  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon David Seymour  
Rt Hon Winston Peters  
Hon Chris Bishop (Chair)  
Hon Paul Goldsmith  
Hon Brooke van Velden  
Hon Simon Watts  
Hon Nicole McKee  
Hon Casey Costello  
Hon Chris Penk  
Hon James Meager  
Hon Andrew Hoggard  
Stuart Smith, MP  
Todd Stephenson, MP  
Jamie Arbuckle, MP

**Officials present from:**

Officials Committee for LEG  
Office of the Leader of the House