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Education Report: Draft Regulatory Impact Statement for the Reform of Vocational Education

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Purpose

This report provides a draft of the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) for the Reform of Vocational Education, for your information.

Recommended actions

The Ministry of Education (the Ministry) and the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) recommend you:

- a. **note** the enclosed pre-consultation draft RIS **Noted**
- b. **note** that we intend to revise the draft RIS in light of comments from the TEC, New Zealand Qualifications Authority, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment and the Treasury **Noted**
- c. **note** that, once these revisions are made, the draft RIS will be shared with your office and submitted with the Cabinet paper (as a draft) on 24 January **Noted**
- d. **agree** that this Education Report will be proactively released once you have agreed to vocational education reforms (and consultation on these) with your Cabinet colleagues. Sections of the report and draft RIS will be withheld where consistent with **Noted**

the provisions of the Official Information Act, especially those concerning free and frank advice.

Agree / Disagree



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Regulatory Impact Statement

1. In our report to you on 9 January (METIS 1173675 refers) we indicated that we did not expect that the Reform of Vocational Education (RoVE) consultation document would be able to meet Treasury's requirements for a temporary exemption from preparing a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS).
2. We have now confirmed that this is the case, particularly for the proposal to merge the 16 institutes of technology and polytechnics into one. In the next few days we will continue to revise the attached draft RIS in light of any feedback from the Tertiary Education Commission, New Zealand Qualifications Authority, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment and the Treasury.
3. We will share the revised draft RIS with you before it is lodged with the Cabinet paper on 24 January.
4. The RIS will be submitted to Cabinet as 'draft', as several sections of the RIS cannot be completed without public consultation. We will finalise the RIS after the public consultation period, and provide it to Cabinet to support further decisions on the reforms.

Release of this paper

5. We do not recommend releasing this paper until you have made final decisions on consultation on the reforms with your Cabinet colleagues.

Annexes

Annex A Draft Regulatory Impact Statement