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Cabinet

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2024 Budget Package: Vote Labour Market

On 29 April 2024, Cabinet:

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

approved the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2024 Budget package, as listed in the summary tables below and detailed in the attached initiative documents:

Summary of funded initiatives:

Operating Initiatives (Impact on Operating Balance)

		\$m - increase/(decrease)						
Initiative ID	Initiative Name	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears		
15827	Return of Funding for Accident Compensation Policy Advice	-	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)		
15837	Return of Funding for Employment Policy Advice	-	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)		
15832	Return of Funding for Employment Sector Analysis and Facilitation	-	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)		
16186	Return of Funding for Engagement and Experience	(1.040)	(1.307)	(1.240)	(1.240)	(0.633)		
15829	Return of Crown Funding for Immigration Visa Subsidies	-	(18.401)	(18.375)	(18.445)	(18.307)		
15830	Return of Funding for Additional Immigration New Zealand Call Centre Capacity During Border Reopening	(0.250)	-	-	-	-		
15826	Return of Funding for Policy Advice – Workplace Relations and Safety Portfolio	-	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)		
16182	Return of Funding for Digital Data and Insights	-	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)		
15828	Return of Funding for WorkSafe Health and Safety at Work	-	-	-	-	-		
15833	Return of Funding for Employment Relations Services	-	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)		
16180	Return of Funding for Enablement Services	-	(12.729)	(12.238)	(13.324)	(13.645)		
15834	Return of Funding for Workplace Relations and Safety Portfolio	-	(0.655)	(1.155)	(1.155)	(1.155)		
15835	Return of Funding for Regional Skills Leadership Groups	-	(11.482)	(11.483)	(11.483)	(11.483)		
16184	Return of Funding for Strategy, Performance and Design	(0.024)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)		
Total Oper	ating	(1.314)	(50.818)	(50.735)	(51.891)	(51.467)		

Summary of in-principle initiatives:

In-Principle Initiatives

Initiative Initiative		\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	Initiative Name	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears	
16124	Reduction of Crown Funding and Increase in Fees and Levies for Immigration System Costs	-	(114.200)	(114.200)	(114.200)	(114.200)	
16172	Employment Services Immigration Savings	-	(0.800)	(0.800)	(0.800)	(0.800)	
Total Oper	ating	-	(115.000)	(115.000)	(115.000)	(115.000)	

Note: Throughout the document, "total operating" refers to funding over five years (2023/24 to 2027/28) and "total capital" refers to funding over 10 years (2023/24 to 2032/33).

Rachel Hayward Secretary of the Cabinet

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Accident Compensation Policy Advice

Description: This savings initiative returns \$0.880 million total operating

funding for Accident Compensation Policy Advice which has

been scaled due to Government priorities.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)						
	2023/24	2023/24 2024/25 2025/26 2026/27					
					Outyears		
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)		
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	=	-	=	-		
No Impact	-	-	ı	-	-		
Total	-	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)		

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears	
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:						
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)						
Departmental Output Expenses:						
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Accident Compensation (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)	-	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	
Total Operating	-	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	(0.220)	

- **agreed** to scale the Policy Advice and Related Ministerial Servicing Accident Compensation category;
- noted that the above appropriation changes give effect to the decision to scale the Policy Advice and Related Ministerial Servicing Accident Compensation category;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Employment Policy Advice

Description: This savings initiative returns \$1.628 million total operating

funding for Employment Policy Advice which has been scaled

due to a change in Government priorities.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)						
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &		
					Outyears		
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)		
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	=	=	-	-	=		
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	-	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)		

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)						
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears		
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:							
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)							
Departmental Output Expenses:							
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Employment (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)		
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)	-	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)		
Total Operating	-	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)	(0.407)		

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Employment Sector Analysis and

Facilitation

Description: This savings initiative returns \$0.504 million total operating

funding for Employment Sector Analysis and Facilitation which has been scaled due to a change in Government

priorities.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears	
Operating Palance Impact*		(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	•	
Operating Balance Impact*	=	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.120)	
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-	
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears	
Departmental Output Expenses:						
Employment - Employment Sector Analysis and Facilitation	-	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Total Operating	-	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	(0.126)	

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Engagement and Experience

Description: This savings initiative returns \$5.460 million total operating

funding for Engagement and Experience at the Ministry of

Business, Innovation and Employment.

		\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &		
					Outyears		
Operating Balance Impact*	(1.040)	(1.307)	(1.240)	(1.240)	(0.633)		
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-		
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	(1.040)	(1.307)	(1.240)	(1.240)	(0.633)		

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Immigration - Regulation of Immigration Advisers	(0.061)	(0.087)	(0.082)	(0.082)	(0.032)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services	(0.955)	(0.973)	(0.911)	(0.911)	(0.354)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Immigration Services (MCA)					
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Services for the Attraction of Migrants (funded by revenue Crown)	(0.024)	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.247)
,	(0.024)	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.247)
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Immigration Services (MCA)	(0.024)	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.247)	(0.247)
Total Operating	(1.040)	(1.307)	(1.240)	(1.240)	(0.633)

- **agreed** to scale operating funding for Engagement and Experience at the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment;
- **noted** that this initiative relates to Initiative 15688 in Vote Business, Science and Innovation and Initiative 16185 in Vote Building and Construction;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Crown Funding for Immigration Visa Subsidies

Description: This savings initiative returns \$73.528 million total Crown

Revenue for immigration visa Crown subsidies which have been scaled due to a faster than expected recovery in the volume of visa applications and a change in Government

priorities.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &	
					Outyears	
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(18.401)	(18.375)	(18.445)	(18.307)	
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	=	-	-	=	-	
No Impact	-	18.401	18.375	18.445	18.307	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)						
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears		
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:							
Immigration Services (MCA)							
Departmental Output Expenses:							
Assessment and Processing Services (funded by revenue Crown)	-	14.249	14.249	14.249	14.249		
Assessment and Processing Services (funded by revenue Other)	-	4.152	4.126	4.196	4.058		
Assessment and Processing Services (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(18.401)	(18.375)	(18.445)	(18.307)		
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Immigration Services (MCA)	-	-	-	-	-		
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-		

Additional Recommendations

- 6 **noted** that in April 2024, Cabinet:
 - 6.1 agreed in principle, subject to final Budget 2024 decisions, to remove Crown funding of \$18.382 million on average per annum to subsidise fees and levies provided for in the 2022 fee and levy review;
 - agreed to continue to subsidise the Pacific related visas at a cost of \$1.167 million on average per annum;

[CAB-24-MIN-0109]

- agreed to remove Crown funding of \$18.382 million on average per annum to subsidise fees and levies provided for in the 2022 fee and levy review;
- 8 **agreed** to subsidise the cost of Recognised Seasonal Employer (limited work), Pacific Access Category and Samoan Quota visas, to maintain fee rates at a level equal to current combined fee and levy rates for these visas;
- 9 **noted** that the removal of Crown subsidies ahead of increasing fee and levy rates will worsen the fee and levy memorandum/hypothecation accounts and that the final fee and levy review decisions in mid-2024 are intended to rebalance the accounts over a four-year period;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Additional Immigration New Zealand

Call Centre Capacity During Border Reopening

Description: This savings initiative returns \$0.250 million total operating

funding that was provided for additional capacity to answer visitor visa enquiries while New Zealand's borders were reopening. The additional capacity was not needed for as long as initially thought, resulting in one-off savings of \$0.250

million.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	(0.250)	-	-	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	(0.250)	-	-	-	-

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					Outyears
Immigration Services (MCA)					
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Assessment and Processing Services (funded by revenue Crown)	(0.250)	-	-	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Immigration Services (MCA)	(0.250)	-	-	-	-
Total Operating	(0.250)	-	-	-	-

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Reduction of Crown Funding and Increase in Fees and Levies

for Immigration System Costs

Description: This revenue initiative reduces Crown revenue for Immigration

New Zealand. Alternative revenue for the service will be provided through fees and levies paid by users of the Immigration system. This initiative reflects in-principle

decisions already made by Cabinet, which will be confirmed in

a report back in mid-2024 [CAB-24-MIN-0109].

In-Principle Initiative Agreed by Cabinet

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Impact on Operating Allowance	-	(114.200)	(114.200)	(114.200)	(114.200)
Impact on Multi-Year Capital Allowance	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	(114.200)	(114.200)	(114.200)	(114.200)

Additional Recommendations

- 10 **noted** that in April 2024, Cabinet:
 - agreed in principle, subject to final Budget 2024 decisions, that users of the immigration system fund the current Crown costs and future cost pressures based on the principle that those that receive the benefit or create the risk should bear the cost of those services, comprising of:
 - 10.1.1 \$72.9 million per annum (average over four years) of immigration system activities (\$86.1 million including cost pressures);
 - 10.1.2 \$41.3 million per annum for ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) programmes in schools (\$58.1 million including cost pressures);

[CAB-24-MIN-0109]

- 10.2 agreed to targeted consultation in April 2024 on increases to fee and levy rates;
- 10.3 invited the Minister of Immigration to report back to the Cabinet Economic Policy Committee in mid-2024 following targeted consultation to seek agreement to final proposals on fee and levy rates, with updated rates taking effect in late September 2024;
- 11 **noted** that Cabinet will make final decisions on increased fee and levy rates, including the relevant appropriation changes and finalised amount of Crown savings, as part of the mid-2024 report back;

CAB-24-MIN-0148.48

noted that this Initiative relates to Initiative 15733 in Vote Education and Initiative 16172 in Vote Labour Market;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Policy Advice – Workplace Relations

and Safety Portfolio

Description: This savings initiative returns \$2.776 million total operating

funding for Workplace Relations and Safety Policy Advice

which has been scaled due to Government priorities.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	=	=
Total	-	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)						
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears		
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:							
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)							
Departmental Output Expenses:							
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Workplace Relations and Safety (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)		
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)	-	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)		
Total Operating	-	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)	(0.694)		

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Digital Data and Insights

Description: This savings initiative returns \$10.752 million total operating

funding for Digital Data and Insights at the Ministry of

Business, Innovation and Employment.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears	
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-	
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

		\$m - i	increase/(deci	rease)	
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Employment - Employment Sector Analysis and Facilitation	-	(0.007)	(0.007)	(0.007)	(0.007)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Immigration - Regulation of Immigration Advisers	-	(0.012)	(0.012)	(0.012)	(0.012)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services	-	(0.246)	(0.246)	(0.246)	(0.246)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Immigration Services (MCA)					
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Assessment and Processing Services (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(1.770)	(1.770)	(1.770)	(1.770)
Integrity and Security of the New Zealand Immigration System	-	(0.358)	(0.358)	(0.358)	(0.358)
(funded by revenue Crown)					

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &	
					Outyears	
Services for the Attraction of Migrants	-	(0.032)	(0.032)	(0.032)	(0.032)	
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Settlement and Integration of Refugees and	-	(0.159)	(0.159)	(0.159)	(0.159)	
Other Migrants		, ,		`	` ′	
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital	-	(2.319)	(2.319)	(2.319)	(2.319)	
Expenditure: Immigration Services (MCA)						
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)						
Departmental Output Expenses:						
Policy Advice and Related Services to	-	(0.007)	(0.007)	(0.007)	(0.007)	
Ministers - Accident Compensation						
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Policy Advice and Related Services to	-	(0.015)	(0.015)	(0.015)	(0.015)	
Ministers - Employment						
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Policy Advice and Related Services to	_	(0.040)	(0.040)	(0.040)	(0.040)	
Ministers - Immigration		(* * *)	(* * *)	()	(* * *)	
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Policy Advice and Related Services to	_	(0.042)	(0.042)	(0.042)	(0.042)	
Ministers - Workplace Relations and Safety		(0.0.12)	(0.012)	(0.0.2)	(0.0.2)	
(funded by revenue Crown)						
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital	-	(0.104)	(0.104)	(0.104)	(0.104)	
Expenditure: Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)						
Total Operating	-	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	(2.688)	

- agreed to scale funding for Digital Data and Insights within the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment;
- 14 **noted** that this Initiative relates to Initiative 15686 in Vote Business, Science and Innovation and Initiative 16181 in Vote Building and Construction;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Employment Relations Services

Description: This savings initiative returns \$7.700 million total operating

funding for Employment Relations Services which has been

scaled due to a change in Government priorities

Appropriation Changes

		\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &	
					Outyears	
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-	
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses: Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services	-	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Total Operating	-	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)	(1.925)

Additional Recommendation

agreed to scale funding for Employment Relations Services;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Enablement Services

Description: This savings initiative returns \$51.936 million total operating

funding for Enablement Services at the Ministry of Business,

Innovation and Employment.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(12.729)	(12.238)	(13.324)	(13.645)
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	=	=
Total	-	(12.729)	(12.238)	(13.324)	(13.645)

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &
					Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses:					
ACC - Regulatory Services (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)
Employment - Employment Sector Analysis and Facilitation	-	(0.031)	(0.029)	(0.031)	(0.031)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Immigration - Regulation of Immigration Advisers	-	(0.061)	(0.059)	(0.064)	(0.066)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services	-	(1.208)	(1.162)	(1.267)	(1.298)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Immigration Services (MCA)					
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Assessment and Processing Services (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(8.246)	(7.937)	(8.655)	(8.867)
Integrity and Security of the New Zealand Immigration System	-	(1.671)	(1.595)	(1.721)	(1.758)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Services for the Attraction of Migrants (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.156)	(0.149)	(0.162)	(0.166)

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears	
Settlement and Integration of Refugees and Other Migrants (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.856)	(0.828)	(0.903)	(0.926)	
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Immigration Services (MCA)	-	(10.929)	(10.509)	(11.441)	(11.717)	
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)						
Departmental Output Expenses:						
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Accident Compensation	-	(0.031)	(0.030)	(0.033)	(0.034)	
(funded by revenue Crown) Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Employment (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.073)	(0.070)	(0.076)	(0.078)	
Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Immigration	-	(0.192)	(0.184)	(0.200)	(0.204)	
(funded by revenue Crown) Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Workplace Relations and Safety (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.203)	(0.194)	(0.211)	(0.216)	
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers (MCA)	-	(0.499)	(0.478)	(0.520)	(0.532)	
Total Operating	-	(12.729)	(12.238)	(13.324)	(13.645)	

- agreed to scale funding for Enablement Services at the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment;
- 17 **noted** that Enablement Services at the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment includes property, information technology, data and insight, legal services, human resources, finance, communications, and strategy;
- **noted** that the scaling will come from the consolidation of property footprint, FTE reductions proportionate to other confirmed reductions, and the conversion of contractors to employees;
- 19 **noted** that this Initiative relates to Initiative 15597 in Vote Business, Science and Innovation and Initiative 16179 in Vote Building and Construction;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Workplace Relations and Safety

Portfolio

Description: This savings initiative returns \$4.120 million total operating

funding for the Workplace Relations and Safety Portfolio related to the Industrial Relations Foundation, the Equal Employment Opportunities Trust (Diversity Works), and support for screen industry occupational bargaining, which has

been stopped due to a change in Government priorities.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &
					Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(0.655)	(1.155)	(1.155)	(1.155)
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	_	(0.655)	(1.155)	(1.155)	(1.155)

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Other Expenses:					
Workplace Relations and Safety - Equal Employment Opportunities Trust	-	(0.396)	(0.396)	(0.396)	(0.396)
Workplace Relations and Safety - New Zealand Industrial Relations Foundation	-	(0.015)	(0.015)	(0.015)	(0.015)
Workplace Relations and Safety – Support for Fair Pay Agreements and Screen Industry occupational bargaining	-	(0.244)	(0.744)	(0.744)	(0.744)
Total Operating	-	(0.655)	(1.155)	(1.155)	(1.155)

Additional Recommendation

agreed to cease funding for the Industrial Relations Foundation, the Equal Employment Opportunities Trust (Diversity Works), and support for screen industry occupational bargaining;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Regional Skills Leadership Groups

Description: This savings initiative returns \$45.931 million total operating

funding for the Regional Skills Leadership Groups which has

been stopped due to a change in Government priorities.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &	
					Outyears	
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(11.482)	(11.483)	(11.483)	(11.483)	
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	=	-	=	=	
No Impact	-	=	ı	=	=	
Total	-	(11.482)	(11.483)	(11.483)	(11.483)	

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Employment - Regional Skills Leadership Groups	-	(11.482)	(11.483)	(11.483)	(11.483)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Total Operating	-	(11.482)	(11.483)	(11.483)	(11.483)

Additional Recommendation

noted that in January 2024, Cabinet agreed to disestablish Regional Skills Leadership Groups [CAB-24-MIN-0004];

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for Strategy, Performance and Design

Description: This savings initiative returns \$0.760 million total operating

funding for Strategy, Performance and Design at the Ministry

of Business, Innovation and Employment.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &
					Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	(0.024)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	(0.024)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Departmental Output Expenses:					
Immigration - Regulation of Immigration Advisers	(0.002)	(0.015)	(0.015)	(0.015)	(0.015)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services	(0.022)	(0.169)	(0.169)	(0.169)	(0.169)
(funded by revenue Crown)					
Total Operating	(0.024)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)	(0.184)

- agreed to scale funding for Strategy, Performance and Design at the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment;
- noted that this Initiative relates to Initiative 15677 in Vote Business, Science and Innovation and Initiative 15183 in Vote Building and Construction;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Return of Funding for WorkSafe Health and Safety at Work

Description: This savings initiative reduces \$8.561 million total operating

funding for WorkSafe from the Health and Safety at Work levy, tagged for Plant and Structures regulatory reform

implementation.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	-	-	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	=	(5.561)	(1.000)	(1.000)	(1.000)
Total	-	-	-	-	-

^{*} Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Output Expenses: Workplace Relations and Safety - Workplace Health and Safety	-	(5.561)	(1.000)	(1.000)	(1.000)
Total Operating	-	(5.561)	(1.000)	(1.000)	(1.000)

- agreed to reduce funding for Plant and Structures regulatory reform;
- noted that these appropriation changes have no impact on the Budget 2024 operating allowance as the Plant and Structures regulatory reforms were funded entirely from the Health and Safety at Work Levy;

Vote: Labour Market

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Title: Employment Services Immigration Savings

Description: This initiative returns Crown funding appropriated for MBIE's

Employment Relations Services for immigration activities and funds these activities with commensurate revenue from fees

and levies from the immigration system.

In-Principle Initiative Agreed by Cabinet

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 &
					Outyears
Impact on Operating Allowance	-	(0.800)	(0.800)	(0.800)	(0.800)
Impact on Multi-Year Capital Allowance	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	(0.800)	(0.800)	(0.800)	(0.800)

Additional Recommendations

- 26 **noted** that in April 2024, Cabinet:
 - agreed in principle, subject to final Budget 2024 decisions, that users of the immigration system fund the current Crown costs and future cost pressures based on the principle that those that receive the benefit or create the risk should bear the cost of those services, comprising of:
 - 26.1.1 \$72.9 million per annum (average over four years) of immigration system activities (\$86.1 million including cost pressures);
 - 26.1.2 \$41.3 million per annum for ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) programmes in schools (\$58.1 million including cost pressures);

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- agreed to targeted consultation with key stakeholders in April 2024 on increases to fee and levy rates;
- 26.3 invited the Minister of Immigration to report back to the Cabinet Economic Policy Committee in mid-2024 following targeted consultation to seek agreement to final proposals on fee and levy rates, with updated rates taking effect in late September 2024;
- noted that funding for Recognised Seasonal Employer inspections undertaken by the Labour Inspectorate and related immigration activities undertaken by MBIE employment services have been included in the changes for the immigration system fee and levy review mentioned above;

- noted that the Crown funding reduction for this initiative is contingent on the identified costs being met through immigration fee and levy revenue, and relates to Initiative 16124 in Vote Labour Market;
- noted that Cabinet will make final decisions on increased fee and levy rates, including relevant appropriation changes for this savings initiative, as part of the mid-2024 report back referred to above.