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Hon Christopher Finlayson QC, Attorney-General

Consistency with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990: International Transparent Treaties Bill

1. We have considered whether the International Transparent Treaties Bill ('the Bill'), a member's Bill in the name of Fletcher Tabuteau MP, is consistent with the rights and freedoms affirmed in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 ('the Bill of Rights Act').
2. The purpose of the Bill is to require all international treaties to receive approval from the House of Representatives before the Executive takes steps to bind New Zealand to the treaty.
3. We have concluded that the Bill appears to be consistent with the rights and freedoms affirmed in the Bill of Rights Act.

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