

23 November 2016

Hon Christopher Finlayson QC, Attorney-General

Crimes (Increased Penalty for Providing Explosive to Commit Crime) Amendment Bill

1. We have considered whether the Crimes (Increased Penalty for Providing Explosive to Commit Crime) Amendment Bill ('the Bill'), a members' Bill in the name of Alastair Scott 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 Bill amends the Crimes Act 1961 to increase the maximum penalty for providing explosives to commit an offence, from two years' imprisonment to five years' imprisonment.
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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