

Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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National Animal Identification and Tracing (NAIT) Legislation Package: Approval for Introduction

Portfolio Biosecurity

On 25 June 2019, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 noted that on 10 April 2019, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee agreed to a package of proposed changes to improve the legislative framework underpinning the National Animal Identification and Tracing (NAIT) scheme and ensure it is fit for the future [DEV-19-MIN-0081];
- 2 **noted** that on 29 May 2019, DEV agreed to two further proposed changes related to NAIT data and the information system, which have been included in the legislation package [DEV-19-MIN-0137];
- 3 **noted** that the legislation package amends the NAIT Act 2012, the NAIT (Infringement Offences) Regulations, the NAIT (Obligations and Exemptions) Regulations, and the Animal Products Regulations;
- 4 **noted** that the National Animal Identification and Tracing Amendment Bill has a priority 2 on the 2019 Legislation Programme (to be passed within the year);
- 5 **approved** the National Animal Identification and Tracing Amendment Bill [PCO 21864/3 0] for introduction, subject to the final approval of the government caucuses and sufficient support in the House of Representatives;
- 6 **agreed** that the Bill be introduced in July 2019;
- 7 **agreed** that the government proposes the package be:
 - 7.1 referred to the Primary Production Committee for consideration;
 - 7.2 enacted by December 2019.

Vivien Meek Committee Secretary

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Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters Hon Andrew Little Hon Stuart Nash Hon Iain Lees-Galloway (Chair) Hon Tracey Martin Hon Eugenie Sage Hon Ruth Dyson (Senior Government Whip)

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