Notice under the Social Security Act 2018

The notice given under the Social Security Act 2018, which was published in the New Zealand Gazette, 27 February 2020, Notice no. 2020-go895, is hereby revoked and replaced by the following:

Pursuant to section 101 of the Social Security Act 2018, notice is given of the making of the following instrument by the Minister for Social Development.

Authority for Instrument Title or Subject Matter Date of Enactment

Social Security Act 2018, section 101 Special Needs Grants

Amendment Programme (No 25/03/2020

1) 2020

A copy of the instrument is available for free at: https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/about-msd/legislation/notice-of-change.html.

This instrument comes into force on **27 March 2020**, except for clauses 4 – 6 which come into force on **19 October 2020**. It amends the Special Needs Grants Programme given on 18 December 1998 and made under the Social Security Act 1964 (and saved by Schedule 1 of the Social Security Act 2018). Clauses 4 – 6 allow MSD to extend the duration of emergency housing grants in specified circumstances and to require an Applicant to pay a contribution of 25% of their and their partner's income and Family Tax Credit towards the cost of Emergency Housing. These clauses also make other minor and technical amendments to the structure and wording of clause 14A. Clause 7 revokes the Special Needs Grants Amendment Programme 2020.

The instrument is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of the Legislation Act 2012 and is administered by the Ministry for Social Development.

Dated this 26th day of March 2020.

Hon CARMEL SEPULONI, Minister for Social Development