Employment and Work Readiness Assistance (Incentive Payments) Amendment 2023

This instrument is made under section 101(1) of the Social Security Act 2018 by the Minister for Social Development and Employment.

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Instrument

1 Title

This instrument is the Employment and Work Readiness Assistance (Incentive Payments) Amendment 2023.

2 Commencement

This instrument comes into force 28 days after it is notified in the New Zealand Gazette.

3 Principal programme

This instrument amends the Employment and Work Readiness Assistance Programme (established and approved on 6 March 2014) (the **principal programme**).

4 Schedule amended

Clause 6A(a) of the Schedule is amended by replacing the amount appearing in the "Amount" column with:

An amount or amounts not exceeding \$5,000 in total in a 52-week period

Applications received before commencement

The amendment of the principal programme by this instrument does not affect the determination by MSD of any application for assistance received before this instrument comes into force.

At Anddard this 6 m day of March

2023

Minister for Social Development and Employment

Explanatory Note

This note is not part of the instrument, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This instrument, which comes into force 28 days after being notified in the New Zealand Gazette, amends the Employment and Work Readiness Assistance Programme. The amendment relates to incentive payments to enter or retain employment, relocate for the purpose of employment, gain employment skills, or enter into study or training. The amendment changes the amount of such incentive payments from a lump sum payment not exceeding \$5,000, to \$5,000 in total in a 52-week period.