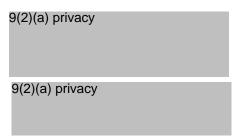


25 October 2024



Official Information Request Our Ref: OIA 2024-0330

I refer to your official information request received on 22 October 2024 for:

"it appears that the Minister for Regulation originally sought funding in Budget 2024 for 60 FTEs for the new ministry (see T2024/874). Ultimately, funding for some 90 FTEs was provided. Please provide me with all documentation and advice that supports the increase in planned staffing and or the related increase in funding."

## **Our response**

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission does not hold the information you have requested.

In these circumstances, we are required to transfer your request under section 14(b) of the Official Information Act 1982 to the agency we believe holds the information. While consulting with the Treasury for the purposes of the transfer, they advised that they have received the same request directly from you and will be responding to you. Therefore, we do not see it necessary to formally transfer your request on this occasion.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact <a href="mailto:Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz">Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz</a>.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website.

Yours sincerely

Nicky Dirks

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