



## Charities Amendment Act 2017

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Commencement see section 2

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### The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

#### 1 Title

This Act is the Charities Amendment Act 2017.

#### 2 Commencement

This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

#### 3 Principal Act

This Act amends the Charities Act 2005 (the **principal Act**).

#### 4 Section 16 amended (Qualifications of officers of charitable entities)

Replace section 16(2)(c) with:

- (c) an individual who, or a body corporate that, has been convicted of either of the following and has been sentenced for the offence within the last 7 years:
- (i) a crime involving dishonesty (within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Crimes Act 1961):
  - (ii) an offence under section 143B of the Tax Administration Act 1994:

### **5 Section 18 amended (Chief executive to consider application)**

- (1) In section 18(2), after “documentation”, insert “within 20 working days after the date of the request”.
- (2) In section 18(3)(c)(ii), replace “a reasonable opportunity” with “20 working days after the date of that notice”.
- (3) After section 18(3), insert:
  - (3A) An application is to be treated as withdrawn if an applicant fails to adequately respond to a request under subsection (2) or to make submissions to the chief executive on a matter in a notice given under subsection (3)(c) within—
    - (a) 20 working days after the date of the request or notice; or
    - (b) a longer period that the chief executive allows at the request of the applicant.

### **6 Section 60 amended (High Court may make interim order pending determination of appeal)**

In section 60(3), replace “chief executive” with “Board”.

#### **Legislative history**

15 June 2016	Divided from Statutes Amendment Bill (Bill 71–1) by Government Administration Committee
22 September 2016	Reported from Government Administration Committee (Bill 71–2B)
2 November 2016	Second reading
15 November 2016	Committee of the whole House
7 February 2017	Third reading
13 February 2017	Royal assent

This Act is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs.