

House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 28 July 2015

Health and Safety Reform Bill

Proposed amendment

Iain Lees-Galloway, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

Clause 167B

After *clause 167B(b)* (page 108, after line 11), insert:

- (ba) within 6 months after the date on which the regulator announces a decision not to prosecute:

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends *clause 167B* of the Health and Safety Reform Bill to ensure the protection of health and safety in New Zealand is not weakened by it.

Clause 167B allows private prosecutions within 2 years of the issue becoming known to the regulator. However if the regulator has not determined whether to prosecute within 2 years this could mean this time runs out through no fault of the person wishing to bring a private prosecution. This amendment will correct this to allow a private prosecution to be brought if it is within 6 months of the regulator announcing a decision not to prosecute.