WATER MANAGEMENT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (STRONGER ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES) BILL 2025

No. 1 **GRNS No. 1 [c2025-185D]**

Page 8, Schedule 3. Insert after line 12—

[19A] Section 60G(2)(b)

Omit the paragraph. Insert instead—

(b) has given the person 28 days, or the longer period determined by the Minister, to make submissions, and

No. 2 **OPP No. 5 [c2025-167D]**

Page 9, Schedule 3[20], proposed section 60G(8), line 10. Omit "6 years". Insert instead "3 years".

No. 3 **GRNS No. 2 [c2025-185D]**

Page 15, Schedule 3[61], proposed section 91O(3)(a)(ii), line 32. Insert ", within 28 days after the notice is given, or the longer period determined by the Minister," after "may".

No. 4 SFF No. 2 [c2025-182B]

Page 16, Schedule 3[61], proposed section 91O(8), line 28. Omit "6 years". Insert instead "3 years".

No. 5 SFF No. 3 [c2025-182B]

Page 18, Schedule 3[79], line 7. Omit "Section 326A(4)". Insert instead "Section 326(4)".

No. 6 SFF No. 4 [c2025-182B]

Page 18, Schedule 3[79], line 8. Omit "section 326A(3)". Insert instead "section 326(3)".

No. 7 **OPP No. 13 [c2025-167D]**

Page 21, Schedule 3[91], proposed section 339J. Insert after line 40—

- (1A) The Minister must not extend the return period for a thing unless satisfied the thing is required by the Regulator for—
 - (a) the investigation of a suspected contravention of this Act or the regulations, or
 - (b) proceedings commenced, or intended to be commenced, by the Regulator for a contravention of this Act or the regulations.

No. 8 **OPP No. 27 [c2025-167D]**

Page 34, Schedule 3[137], proposed section 370G, line 4. Omit "6 years". Insert instead "3 years".

No. 9 SFF No. 6 [c2025-182B]

Page 34, Schedule 3[137], proposed section 370J, lines 17–25. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

370J Civil proceedings during or after criminal proceedings

- (1) Proceedings against a person for a contravention of a civil penalty provision must not be commenced if criminal proceedings have been commenced against the person for an offence in relation to substantially the same conduct.
- (2) If proceedings against a person for a contravention of a civil penalty provision are underway when criminal proceedings are commenced against the person for an offence in relation to substantially the same conduct, the civil penalty provision proceedings must be dismissed by the Court.

No. 10 SFF No. 7 [c2025-182B]

Page 34, Schedule 3[137], proposed section 370L, lines 31–34. Omit all words on the lines.

No. 11 OPP No. 1 [c2025-187A]

Page 35, Schedule 3[137], proposed section 370Q(2), lines 32 and 33. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to proceedings for—
 - (a) a contravention under section 91J(2), 340A(2) or 344(1) or (2), or
 - (b) a matter that is taken, for section 370B, 370C or 370D, to be a contravention.