

**Notice Under the Social Security Act 2018**

In accordance with section 102 of the Social Security Act 2018, notice is given of the making of the following instrument by the Minister for Social Development.

<i>Authority for Instrument</i>	<i>Title or Subject Matter</i>	<i>Date of Enactment</i>
Social Security Act 2018, section 101	Apprenticeship Boost Initiative Programme	28/07/2020

A copy of the instrument is available for free at: <http://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/about-msd/legislation/notice-of-change.html>.

This instrument, which comes into force on **5 August 2020**, is the Apprenticeship Boost Initiative Programme and is made under section 101 of the Social Security Act 2018. The programme provides financial support to employers to keep existing or take on new first and second year eligible apprentices, who are employed and in training towards their qualification, as New Zealand recovers from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The assistance will be paid on a monthly basis to eligible applicants in respect of each individual eligible apprentice's programme of study, for a maximum of 20 months. The programme expires on the close of 4 April 2022.

The instrument is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of the Legislation Act 2012 and is administered by the Ministry of Social Development.

Dated this 31st day of July 2020.

HON CARMEL SEPULONI, Minister for Social Development.