Airport Authorities (Publicising Lost Property Sales) Amendment Bill

Member's Bill

Explanatory note

General policy statement

This Bill will amend the Airport Authorities Act 1966 to provide airport authorities with greater flexibility when publicising the disposal of lost property. It will allow authorities to determine the most appropriate way to advertise lost property to passengers rather than the restrictive and prescriptive methodology prescribed in the current Act.

This Bill keeps in place the intent of the Act, which is to inform passengers of lost property before the airport authority proceeds with the sale of or disposing of the lost property. This Bill expands the way an authority can communicate with passengers to more relevant methods.

This Bill will modernise the Airport Authorities Act 1966 to take into account changes in how people receive and search for information. This Bill would allow authorities to use modern means of communication as well as future, unforeseen, means of communications as the airport authority may determine fit.

Clause by clause analysis

Clause 1 is the Title clause.

Clause 2 provides for the Bill to come into force the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

Clause 3 states that the Bill amends the Airport Authorities Act 1966 (the **principal** Act).

Clause 4 amends section 9, which relates to bylaws, by requiring an airport authority that is to hold a sale by auction of lost property to publicise the sale in what it con-

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siders to be a fair and reasonable manner, instead of simply advertising the sale in a newspaper that has a circulation in the airport's district.

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

1 Title

This Act is the Airport Authorities (Publicising Lost Property Sales) Amendment Act **2016**.

2 Commencement

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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 Airport Authorities Act 1966 (the **principal Act**).

4 Section 9 amended (Bylaws)

In section 9(1)(ff), replace "the insertion of suitable advertisements in a newspaper circulating in the district where the airport is situated" with "publicising the sale in what the authority considers to be a fair and reasonable manner".