



## Arbitration Amendment Act 2019

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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 Arbitration Amendment Act 2019.

#### 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 Arbitration Act 1996 (the **principal Act**).

#### 4      **Schedule 1 amended**

(1) In Schedule 1, after article 16(3), insert:

(4) To avoid doubt, it is declared that the failure to pursue a request made under paragraph (3) in a timely manner operates as a waiver of any right to later object to a ruling of the arbitral tribunal as to its jurisdiction.

(2) In Schedule 1, replace article 34(2)(a)(iv) with:

- (iv) the composition of the arbitral tribunal or the arbitral procedure was not in accordance with the agreement of the parties, unless such agreement was in conflict with a provision of this Act from which the parties cannot derogate, or, failing such agreement, was not in accordance with this Act; or

## 5 Schedule 2 amended

- (1) In Schedule 2, clause 1(1), replace “to (5)” with “and (3)”.
- (2) In Schedule 2, repeal clause 1(4) and (5).

### Legislative history

9 May 2017	Introduction (Bill 245–1)
10 May 2017	First reading and referral to Justice and Electoral Committee
8 November 2017	Reinstated and allocated to Justice Committee
1 October 2018	Reported from Justice Committee (Bill 245–2)
6 March 2019	Second reading
3 April 2019	Committee of the whole House (Bill 245–3)
1 May 2019	Third reading
7 May 2019	Royal assent

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Justice.