

# Coroners (Access to Body of Dead Person) Amendment Act 2018

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#### The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

# 1 Title

This Act is the Coroners (Access to Body of Dead Person) Amendment Act 2018.

#### 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 Coroners Act 2006 (the **principal Act**).

# 4 Section 26 amended (Matters to be taken into account under section 25(3)) After section 26(2)(e), insert:

(ea) the ethnic origins, social attitudes or customs, or spiritual beliefs of the person who is, or of a person who is suspected to be, the dead person, or

of an immediate family member of that person, that customarily require viewing, touching, or remaining with or near the body (for example, the customary requirement that immediate family members be able to view, touch, or remain with or near the body according to tikanga Māori):

# Legislative history

19 March 2018 Introduction (Bill 33–1)

10 April 2018 First reading and referral to Māori Affairs Committee

10 September 2018 Reported from Māori Affairs Committee

30 October 2018 Second reading

11 December 2018 Committee of the whole House

18 December 2018 Third reading 20 December 2018 Royal assent

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Justice.

Wellington, New Zealand: