

Victims' Rights Amendment Act 2011 Commencement Order 2011

Jerry Mateparae, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 14th day of November 2011

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 2(1) of the Victims' Rights Amendment Act 2011, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following order.

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1 Title

This order is the Victims' Rights Amendment Act 2011 Commencement Order 2011.

2 Commencement of sections 4 to 7 of Victims' Rights Amendment Act 2011

Sections 4 to 7 of the Victims' Rights Amendment Act 2011 come into force on 5 March 2012.

Rebecca Kitteridge, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order brings into force sections 4 to 7 of the Victims' Rights Amendment Act 2011 on 5 March 2012.

The provisions being brought into force amend the Victims' Rights Act 2002 to provide that victim impact statements may be used by the court when giving sentence indications and also make a transitional provision in relation to the use of victim impact statements prepared before these provisions came into force.

Issued under the authority of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 17 November 2011. This order is administered by the Ministry of Justice.