House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Wednesday, 8 December 2021

Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and Other Matters) Amendment Bill

Proposed amendments

Hon Eugenie Sage, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 4

In clause 4, after the definition of settlement zone (page 5, after line 21), insert:

significant tree means a tree that is of—

- (a) a native species and is more than 4 metres in height; or
- (b) an exotic species and is more than 7 metres in height

Schedule 1

In Schedule 1, new Schedule 3A, Part 2, replace clause 10(1) (page 31, lines 2 to 7) with:

(1) Buildings must not project beyond a 45° recession plane measured from a point 3 metres vertically above ground level along all boundaries. Where the boundary forms part of a legal right of way, entrance strip, access site, or pedestrian access way, the height in relation to boundary applies from the farthest boundary of that legal right of way, entrance strip, access site, or pedestrian access way.

In Schedule 1, new Schedule 3A, Part 2, clause 10(2) before paragraph (a) (page 31, before line 9), insert:

(aa) any buildings or parts of buildings within 15 metres of the site frontage, provided that the site frontage faces a street or public open space:

In Schedule 1, new Schedule 3A, Part 2, clause 11(1), replace the table (page 31, lines 16 to 19) with:

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Yard	Minimum depth
Side	1 metre
Rear	6 metres

In Schedule 1, new Schedule 3A, Part 2, clause 11, after subclause (2) (page 32, after line 3) with:

(3) Section 87BA applies to the waiver of side setbacks unless there is a significant tree in the setback area.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper (**SOP**) amends the Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and Other Matters) Amendment Bill. It proposes changes to maximise efficient site usage for intensified housing developments, while contributing to the rapid acceleration of housing supply.

These changes ensure that the medium density residential standards promote the most efficient use of the site area available, avoiding unnecessary fragmentation. In particular, they would enable the use of adjacent sites for terraced housing developments without amalgamating land parcels (known as 'perimeter block' developments). The SOP would do so by removing the front setback requirement and clarifying that side setbacks can be waived by mutual agreement between adjacent site owners and neighbours, and including more enabling provisions for the front 15 metres of the site and increasing the rear setback.

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