

**House of Representatives**

**Supplementary Order Paper**

**Wednesday, 1 May 2019**

**Gore District Council (Otama Rural Water Supply) Bill**

*Proposed amendments*

Marama Davidson, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

*Clause 8(1)*

In *clause 8(1)(d)*, after “transferred to the Company” (page 5, line 3), insert “, including its ability to meet any relevant regulatory requirements”.

*Clause 8(3)*

In *clause 8(3)*, after “water supply” (page 5, line 10), insert “in accordance with any relevant regulatory requirements”.

**Explanatory note**

This Supplementary Order Paper proposes changes to *clause 8* of the Bill in relation to drinking water regulatory requirements. The changes reflect current relevant developments. Alongside of the Havelock North Drinking Water Inquiry, the Government has established the Three Waters Review to consider system-wide improvements intended to ensure the provision of safe, acceptable, and reliable drinking water supplies. New regulatory arrangements relating to drinking water safety are under consideration as part of that review and Government decisions on new regulatory requirements for drinking water are expected to be made in mid-2019.

The amendment to *clause 8(1)(d)* introduces a requirement for the Council to assess the Company’s ability to meet any relevant regulatory requirements.

*Clause 8(3)* relates specifically to drinking water. The amendment to that subclause includes a consideration of relevant regulatory requirements.

