

# House of Representatives

# Supplementary Order Paper

**Tuesday, 23 August 2016**

## **Judicature Modernisation Bill**

### *Proposed amendment*

Louisa Wall, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

#### *Clause 192*

In *clause 192*, after *subsection (1)* (page 121, after line 36), insert:

- (1A) Before giving advice to the Governor-General under **subsection (1)** on the appointment of a Judge to the Māori Land Court, the Attorney-General must seek advice or recommendations from the Minister for Māori Development.

### **Explanatory note**

This Supplementary Order Paper amends *clause 192*, which relates to the appointment of a Judge. As currently worded, *clause 192* would not provide for the long established practice that Judges of the Māori Land Court are appointed on the advice or recommendation of the Minister for Māori Development.

To apply the generic provisions of appointment of Judges set out in this Bill would result in a failure to recognise the distinctive nature of the relationship between Māori land, Māori land owners, Māori Land Court and the Minister for Māori Development.

This Supplementary Order Paper would compel the Attorney-General to seek advice or recommendations from the Minister for Māori Development so as to ensure that appropriate appointments are made to the Māori Land Court.