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A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...	As a Teacher I am on the front line for watching our next generation of New Zealand citizens grow and learn. The amount of potential and enthusiasm for our future in every student I see is incredible. It is up to us NOW to put in place changes and ideas that can create solutions for the dearth of problems that we have all inherited from the past 200 years of poor decisions. We need to pass this now to ensure we are protecting our future.
Long-term target	I support the most ambitious target of reducing total greenhouse gases to net zero by 2050. I also support taking a science-based approach to ensure our efforts to reduce emissions are as impactful as possible: we should aim for negative levels of long-lived gases, while reducing short-lived gases to sustainable levels. This target should be reached by reducing our own emissions and not by using international carbon credits.
Climate Commission	I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.
Adaptation	I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.
Climate justice	A Zero Carbon Act must be just and fair in that it honours Te Tiriti o Waitangi; ensures a just transition for workers and communities; and avoids passing on the costs to future generations.
Further comments	