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A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...	Our current legislative framework does not do enough to reduce New Zealand's emissions and ensure that as a country we are acting as responsible global citizens. New Zealand has a reputation as a state that takes courageous steps to preserve and protect our natural environment. A zero carbon law is ambitious but serious ambition is necessary to tackle this problem and we need to lead by example. Future generations are depending on us.
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	