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<b>A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...</b>	<p>This sets a real statement.</p> <p>This is a real opportunity for New Zealand to say that we do not need to be bound by the old way of doing things. To say that the act of producing needs to be consider the impact of that production not just to the point of distribution or consumption. Whether that is energy generation, carbon usage, plastic, it all comes to the same thing. There is a lifecycle which needs to be considered and the responsibility for ensuring zero impact should exist with suppliers as well. Not as an afterthought where someone else has to pick up the bill after the producers / suppliers have made their money.</p>
<b>Long-term target</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Climate Commission</b>	<p>I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.</p>
<b>Adaptation</b>	<p>I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.</p>
<b>Climate justice</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Further comments</b>	<p>It is fantastic to see this happening. Keep up the great work. We can make a change which makes a difference!</p>