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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 30 September 2019 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) regarding the briefing document presented by the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) to the Local Government and Environment Select Committee:

"...I would be very grateful if you could provide a reference or copy of that document."

The Ministry has identified one document in scope of your request, *Resource Management (Simplifying and Streamlining) Amendment Bill*. The report can be accessed on the parliament.govt.nz website (https://www.parliament.nz/resource/en-NZ/49SCLGE_ADV_00DBHOH_BILL9045_1_A44623/0eac6c4830f195e2fc1f22da5c2b171ff48c5e53), therefore your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act as the information requested is publicly available.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our website on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Executive Relations team via ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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