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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

1 Title

This Act is the Rates Rebate (Statutory Declarations) Amendment Act **2019**.

2 Commencement

This Act comes into force on ~~1 July 2020~~ the day after the date of Royal assent.

3 Principal Act

This Act amends the Rates Rebate Act 1973 (the **principal Act**).

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Part 1**Substantive amendments****4 Section 5 amended (Applications to territorial authority for rates rebate)**

In section 5(3),—

(a) replace “provided” with “approved”; and

(b) replace “by the declaration of” with “in writing by”.

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5 Section 6 amended (Applications for refunds of rates paid)

(1) In section 6(2)(a), replace “provided” with “approved”.

(2) In section 6(2)(b), replace “by the declaration of” with “in writing by”.

6 Section 7 amended (Refund to owner of owner-occupier flat of contribution towards rates)

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(1) In section 7(2)(a), replace “provided” with “approved”.

(2) In section 7(2)(b), replace “by the declaration of” with “in writing by”.

7 Section 7A amended (Refund to resident of retirement village of contribution towards rates)

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(1) In section 7A(4)(a), replace “provided” with “approved”.

(2) In section 7A(4)(b), replace “by the declaration of” with “in writing by”.

8 Section 9 amended (Refund to territorial authorities of rebates granted)

In section 9(1), replace “provided” with “approved”.

Part 2

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Related amendments**9 Section 13 replaced (Declarations)**

Replace section 13 with:

13 Form of verification

An application that is required to be verified in writing for the purposes of this Act must be verified in a manner and form approved by the Secretary for Local Government.

10 Section 14 amended (Offences)

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In section 14(1)(a), replace “declaration” with “verification”.

Legislative history

17 September 2019

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23 March 2020

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