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Dear Mrs Jones

I write in response to the *Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) (the Committee) Scrutiny Report 33*, which was released on 6 August 2019. Specifically, this letter addresses comments made by the Committee regarding the assessment of the Committee’s principles in the regulatory impact statement (RIS) accompanying the Energy Efficiency (Cost of Living) Improvement (Priority Household Target) Determination 2019 (the Determination).

Having considered section 35(h) of the *Legislation Act 2001* and the Committee’s principles, I wish to provide the following information to address the Committee’s comment:

1. The Determination is in accordance with the general objects of the *Energy Efficiency (Cost of Living) Improvement Act 2012* (the Act) and is made under s8 of the Act. Increasing opportunities for priority households is an object in the Act to ensure low income households can access the benefits of the Energy Efficiency Improvement Scheme; and
2. The Determination does not unduly trespass on rights previously established by law as the instrument only determines the priority household target; and
3. The Determination does not make rights, liberties and/or obligations unduly dependent upon non-reviewable decisions as the instrument only determines the priority household target.

I thank the Committee for its comments on the RIS and I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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