

**OFFICIAL VISIT TO NEW ZEALAND BY
THE HON KEVIN ANDERSON MP,
MINISTER FOR BETTER REGULATION AND INNOVATION
29-30 AUGUST 2019
OVERSEAS MISSION REPORT**

Purpose of travel

Kevin Anderson MP, Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation attended a meeting of the Legislative and Governance Forum on Consumer Affairs (CAF) on 29-30 August 2019.

The Legislative and Governance Forum on Consumer Affairs (CAF) is a forum where all Commonwealth, State, Territory and New Zealand Ministers responsible for fair trading and consumer protection laws meet to discuss relevant issues relating to law and policy.

CAF is the principal intergovernmental forum on fair trading and consumer affairs matters of national significance. Its role is to consider and, where possible develop a consistent approach to those issues. It is the decision-making forum on the Australian Consumer Law (ACL), underpinned by the Intergovernmental Agreement on the ACL (IGA). The Minister was accompanied by his Chief of Staff.

Benefits of travel for New South Wales

The ACL is an important whole-of-economy law that promotes competition, fair trading and protects consumers. It is administrated by the Minister through the Fair Trading Act 1987 and NSW Fair Trading jointly enforces it with other jurisdictions. The Minister's attendance at CAF as the NSW Government's representative was an opportunity to discuss emerging issue in consumer affairs and how the ACL could help deal with these issues.

Minister	<i>The Hon Kevin Anderson MP</i>
Portfolio	<i>Better Regulation and Innovation</i>
Destination visited	<i>Queenstown, New Zealand</i>
Dates of travel Departure date Return date	<i>29 August 2019 30 August 2019</i>
Number of official travel days	Two
Number of accompanying Minister's staff	One
Accompanied by spouse in a private capacity	No

Airfares Minister and Minister's staff	\$4,126
Accommodation Minister and Minister's staff	\$449
Other expenses a) Ground transport b) Meals and refreshments c) Other miscellaneous costs	a) \$40 b) Nil c) Nil
TOTAL estimated travel cost Minister and Minister's staff	\$4,615