

Moth's list: Cabinet on gay marriage, abortion, euthanasia, cannabis, etc [WIP]

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Let's take a look at how current MPs in Cabinet voted on some key social/ethical issues!

Sources: <https://voted.nz/> and <https://wheretheystand.nz/> - both sourced from Parliament website - news media cited where relevant - notes on how each category was determined on bottom of the page

Name	Party	Current Role (s)	Gay marriage equality	Cannabis for terminally ill / debilitating conditions	Legalise euthanasia for terminally ill	Decriminalise abortion	Abortion facility safe zones	Conversion therapy ban
Year ->			2013	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Bill information ->			Votes on the Marriage (Definition of Marriage) Amendment Bill , which allows same-sex and transgender couples to marry	Votes on the Misuse of Drugs (Medicinal Cannabis and Other Matters) Amendment Bill , to make it legal for people with a terminal illness or any debilitating condition to use cannabis or cannabis products with the support of a registered medical practitioner.	Votes on the End of Life Choice Bill . This bill gives people with a terminal illness the option of requesting assisted dying.	Votes on the Abortion Legalisation Bill , which removed abortion from the Crimes Act	Votes on the Contraception, Sterilisation, and Abortion (Safe Areas) Amendment Bill - provides regulation-making power to set up safe areas around specific abortion facilities on a case-by-case basis.	Votes on the Conversion Practices Prohibition Legislation Bill , which outlaws practices which seek to change or suppress a person's sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.
Gerry Brownlee	NAT	Speaker of the House	Mostly against	Against	Strongly against	Strongly against		
Inside Cabinet								
Christopher Luxon	NAT	Prime Minister, Minister for National Security and Intelligence, Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services	Unknown but has been vocal about his evangelical protestant Christian faith	N/A - but told media not considering	N/A - but told media he was personally against	N/A - but told media he was personally against	Mostly for	Strongly for
Nicola Willis	NAT	Finance Minister, Public Service Minister, Minister for Social Investment, Associate Minister of Climate Change		N/A - said she would support the ideat, but not this bill	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for

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Chris Bishop	NAT	Housing Minister, Infrastructure Minister, Minister for RMA Reform, Minister for Sport and Recreation, Leader of the House, Associate Finance Minister		Against	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for
Shane Reti	NAT	Health Minister, Pacific Peoples Minister		Against	Strongly against	Strongly against	Strongly for	Strongly against
Simeon Brown	NAT	Minister for Energy, Local Government, Transport, Auckland, Deputy Leader of the House		Against	Strongly against	Strongly against	Strongly against	Strongly against
Erica Stanford	NAT	Minister of Education, Immigration, Lead Coordination Minister for the Government's response to the Royal Commission's Report into the Terrorist Attack on the Christchurch Mosques		Against	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for
Paul Goldsmith	NAT	Minister of Arts, Culture and Heritage, Justice, Media and Communications, State-owned Enterprises, Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations	Strongly for	Against	Strongly against	Mostly against	Strongly for	Strongly for
Louise Upston	NAT	Minister for Community and Voluntary Sector, Disability Issues, Social Development and Employment, Child Poverty Reduction	Strongly against	Against	Strongly against	Strongly against	Strongly against	First against, then for
Judith Collins	NAT	Attorney-General, Minister of Defence, Digitising Government, the GCSB and NZSIS, Science, Innovation and Technology, Space, and lead coordination, Lead Coordination Minister for the Government's Response to the Royal Commission's Report into the Terrorist Attack on the Christchurch Mosques	Strongly for	Against	Mostly for	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for

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Mark Mitchell	NAT	Minister of Corrections, Emergency Management and Recovery, Police	Strongly against	Against	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for
Todd McClay	NAT	Minister of Agriculture, Forestry, Hunting and Fishing, Trade, and Associate Minister of Foreign Affairs	Strongly against	Against	Strongly against	Mostly against	Strongly for	First for, then against
Tama Potaka	NAT	Minister of Conservation, Māori-Crown relations, Māori Development, Whānau Ora, Associate Minister of Housing						
Matt Doocey	NAT	Minister for ACC, Mental Health, Tourism and Hospitality, Youth, Associate Minister of Health and Transport	Strongly against	Against	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for	Strongly for
Simon Watts	NAT	Minister of Climate Change, Minister of Revenue					Strongly for	Strongly for
David Seymour	ACT	Minister for Regulation, Associate Minister of Education, Associate Minister of Finance, Associate Minister of Health, Associate Minister of Justice		For	Strongly for	Strongly for	For	
Brooke van Veldan	ACT	Minister of Internal Affairs, Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety						For
Nicole McKee	ACT	Minister for Courts, Associate Minister of Justice					For	

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Winston Peters	NZF	Deputy Prime Minister (until 31 May 2025), Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister for Racing	Strongly against	Against	Strongly for	Mostly for, but ultimately against		
Shane Jones	NZF	Minister for Oceans and Fisheries, Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Resources, Associate Minister of Finance, Associate Minister for Energy	Strongly for	Against	Strongly for	Mostly for, but ultimately against		
Casey Costello	NZF	Minister of Customs, Minister for Seniors, Associate Minister of Health, Associate Minister of Immigration, Associate Minister of Police						
Outside Cabinet								
Melissa Lee	NAT	Minister for Economic Development, Ethnic Communities, Associate Minister for ACC	Strongly against	Against	Strongly against	Strongly against	Mostly against	Strongly against
Penny Simmonds	NAT	Minister for the Environment, Tertiary Education and Skills, Associate Minister for Social Development and Employment				Strongly for	Strongly against	
Chris Penk	NAT	Minister for Building and Construction, Minister for Land Information, Minister for Veterans, Associate Minister of Defence, Associate Minister of Immigration		Against	Strongly against	Strongly against	Strongly against	First for, then against
Nicola Grigg	NAT	Minister of State for Trade, Minister for Women,				Strongly for	Strongly for	

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		Associate Minister of Agriculture						
Andrew Bayly	NAT	Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Minister for Small Business and Manufacturing, Minister of Statistics		Against	Strongly against	Mostly for, but ultimately against	Strongly for	Strongly for
Andrew Hoggard	ACT	Minister for Biosecurity Minister for Food Safety, Associate Minister of Agriculture, Associate Minister for the Environment						
Karen Chhour	ACT	Minister for Children, Minister for the Prevention of Family and Sexual Violence					For	
Simon Court	ACT	Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Infrastructure, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister Responsible for RMA Reform					For	
Mark Patterson	NZF	Minister for Rural Communities, Associate Minister of Agriculture, Associate Minister for Regional Development		Against	Strongly for	Mostly for, but ultimately against		
Jenny Marcroft	NZF	Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Media and Communications, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Oceans and Fisheries		Against	Strongly for	Strongly for		

Language notes:

- *For / against = 1 vote yes / no, of 1 total vote cast (this can happen for various reasons)*
- *Strongly for / against = yes / no for all of 2 or 3 total votes*
- *Mostly for = 1 vote no, 2 votes yes (final vote is yes)*
- *Mostly against = 1 vote yes, 2 votes no (final vote is no)*
- *Mostly for, but ultimately against = final vote is no, after earlier yes votes*
- *Mostly against, but ultimately for = final vote is yes, after earlier no votes*
- *First for/against, then for/against = 2 votes cast of 2 total, one of each yes/no*