



25 July 2022

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received via a phone call on 12 July 2022. You requested the following:

Does Inland Revenue make interest on child support payments when they are collected before the due date? What is done with the interest made/what is it spent on?

When a child support payment is received by the liable parent earlier than the due date, it is held in escrow until it is released to the receiving carer. This is usually two business days after the 19th of the month in which the payment is due.

In response to your request, Inland Revenue's bank accounts are not interest bearing however the Crown may be receiving net interest across the consolidated Crown bank accounts. Therefore, when a Liable Parents liability is collected before the due date, Inland Revenue does not earn any interest on these payments prior to them being released to the receiving carer.

Publishing of OIA response

Please note that Inland Revenue regularly publishes responses to requests that may be of interest to the wider public on its website. We consider this response is of public interest so will publish this response in due course. Your personal details or any information that would identify you will be removed prior to it being published.

Thank you for your request. I trust that the information provided is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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