## Commencement of Building (Earthquake- prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016



Changes are on the way to how earthquake-prone buildings will be managed in New Zealand.

The Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016 was enacted in May 2016 and will establish a new nationally consistent system for identifying and remediating earthquake-prone buildings. Councils around the country will have a key role in the operation of the new system.

Public consultation on the Regulations and Methodology underpinning the new legislation closed in mid-February. The new legislation will not commence until the Regulations and Methodology have been approved. The target date for commencement of the earthquake–prone buildings legislation is 1 July 2017.

Information on the new framework for managing Earthquake-Prone buildings is available on the <u>MBIE</u> <u>website</u>. You can view the Act on the <u>Legislation website</u> where you will find the provisions for identifying earthquake prone buildings and remediation of earthquake –prone buildings.