

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (AMENDMENT) ACT.

Act No. 20, 1942.

An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 18th November, 1942.] George VI.
No. 20, 1942.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Friendly Societies (Amendment) Act, 1942." Short title
and
citation.

(2) The Friendly Societies Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, and by this Act, may be cited as the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942.

Friendly Societies (Amendment) Act.

No. 20, 1942. 2. (1) The Friendly Societies Act, 1912, as amended
 Amendment by subsequent Acts, is amended—

of Act No.
46, 1912.

Sec. 10.

(Compulsory
registration
of certain
societies.)

(a) (i) by omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection one of section ten the words “on travel in search of employment” and by inserting in lieu thereof the word “unemployed”;

(ii) by omitting from the same paragraph the words “or in case of shipwreck or loss or damage of or to boats or nets”;

(iii) by inserting next after paragraph (f) of the same subsection the following words:—

or

(g) payments to hospitals towards accommodation and maintenance in hospitals of members, their husbands, wives or dependants, or of the widow or widowed mother of a deceased member, or reimbursing to members or to widows or widowed mothers of deceased members, payments so made by them:

Provided that no society shall contract with any member to make such payments in respect of any person other than the member, the husband or wife of the member, the widow or widowed mother of the member upon his decease, and any specified dependant or dependants of the member; or

(h) payments to legally qualified medical practitioners or hospitals towards surgical, therapeutic or other medical treatment by legally qualified medical practitioners in hospitals of members, their husbands, wives or dependants, or of the widow or widowed mother of a deceased member, or reimbursing to members or widows or widowed mothers

cf. Act
No. 4225
(1934),
Vict., s. 2.

mothers of deceased members, payments so made by them: No. 20, 1942.

Provided that no society shall contract with any member to make such payments in respect of any person other than the member, the husband or wife of the member, the widow or widowed mother of the member upon his decease, and any specified dependant or dependants of the member.

In paragraphs (g) and (h) of this subsection the expression "dependant" means a child, father, mother, brother or sister, nephew or niece, or ward, being an orphan, of the member.

- (b) by inserting in section forty-four after the word "fund" the words "or in its benevolent fund"; Sec. 44.
(Subscriptions to hospitals.)
- (c) by inserting at the end of section sixty-nine the following new subsection:— Sec. 69.
(Appointment of inspectors.)

(9) Where an inspector or inspectors appointed under subsection eight of this section has or have furnished a report the Registrar may, if in his opinion the circumstances warrant so doing, call a special meeting of the registered society or branch.

The provisions of subsections four and six of this section shall extend to and in respect of any special meeting called under this subsection.
- (d) by inserting at the end of subsection one of section seventy-three the words— Sec. 73.
(Reference of dispute to Registrar.)

Any such reference shall be made not later than six months after the date upon which the matter in dispute has been finally dealt with in accordance with the rules of the society or branch relating to the settlement of disputes.
- (e) by inserting at the end of section seventy-four the words— Sec. 74.
(Reference of dispute to Registrar in cases of delay.)

Any such reference shall be made not later than six months after the date upon which the right to refer the dispute arises.

(f)

No. 20, 1942.
Sec. 81.
(Subvention
after 30th
June, 1932.)

(f) by omitting from subsection two of section eighty-one the words "twenty per centum" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five per centum."

(2) Where before the commencement of this Act the rules of any registered society have made provision for the benefits referred to in paragraph (g) or paragraph (h) of subsection one of section ten of the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942 (as inserted by subsection one of this section) such rules shall, subject to the said Act, be deemed to have been valid and effectual as from the date of the registration thereof.
