

ANALYSIS

Title 1. Short Title 2. Commission to endeavour to negotiate agreements

## 1968, No. 80

## An Act to amend the Electricity Distribution Commission Act 1967 [13 December 1968]

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Electricity Distribution Commission Amendment Act 1968, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electricity Distribution Commission Act 1967 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Commission to endeavour to negotiate agreements— (1) Section 20 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after subsection (2), the following subsection:

"(2A) If all supply authorities likely in the opinion of the Commission to be affected by the proposal—

- "(a) Advise the Commission before the appointment of a conciliator that they have come to a fair and reasonable agreement in writing on the proposal; and
- "(b) Lodge a copy of that written agreement with the Commission; and

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"(c) Request in writing that conciliation be dispensed with---

the Commission may at its sole discretion dispense with conciliation, and, without appointing a conciliator, may proceed in every way as if the written agreement were a final report of a conciliator duly appointed under this section."

(2) The said section 20 is hereby consequentially amended by omitting from subsection (2) the words "The Commission shall, as a first step", and substituting the words "Subject to subsections (2A) and (3) of this section, the Commission shall".

This Act is administered in the New Zealand Electricity Department.