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1945, No. 45

An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Title. Finance and other Matters. [7th December, 1945

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Finance Act short Title. (No. 2), 1945.

PART I

Public Revenues

Additional revenue from income-tax to be paid into War Expenses Account. 2. In addition to all other moneys payable into the War Expenses Account, there shall, without further authority than this section, be credited to that account one-quarter of the revenue received from income-tax at any time during the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-six, whether before or after the passing of this Act.

Certain revenues not to be paid into War Expenses Account. 3. (1) On and after the date of the commencement of this section all amounts that would, but for the passing of this section, be credited to the War Expenses Account in respect of estate duty, succession duty, gift duty, Customs duties, beer duty, tobacco duty, gold duty, sales tax, and national security tax shall, without further authority than this section, be credited to the Consolidated Fund.

Repeals.

(2) The following enactments are hereby repealed, namely:—

1939, No. 29

(a) Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection four of section two of the War Expenses Act, 1939:

1939, No. 30

(b) Section sixteen of the Customs Acts Amendment Act. 1939:

1940, No. 6

(c) Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection one of section eight of the Finance Act, 1940:

1942, No. 5

(d) Section sixteen of the Customs Acts Amendment Act, 1942.

Commencement.

(3) This section shall come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-six.

Temporary modification of section 47 of Public Revenues Act, 1926. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 26 4. Nothing in the first proviso to subsection one of section forty-seven of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, shall, during the period commencing on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and ending on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-six, apply with respect to any vote relating to moneys in the Consolidated Fund:

Provided that the aggregate amount that may during that period be paid out of the Consolidated Fund in respect of all votes shall not exceed fifteen million pounds.

- 5. All sums issued under section fifty-eight of the Validating Public Revenues Act, 1926, during the financial year excess unauthorized that ended on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen expenditure. hundred and forty-five, in excess of the limits pre- See Reprint scribed by subsection three of that section are hereby vol. VII, p. 32 declared to have been lawfully issued and paid.
- 6. (1) Section eighty-five of the Public Revenues Public Act, 1926, is hereby amended as follows:—
 - Accounts. Ibid., p. 43
 - (a) By omitting from subsection two the words "and lay the same", and substituting the words "and shall lay every such yearly abstract ":
 - (b) By inserting, after subsection two, the following subsection:-
 - "(2A) The Treasury shall, as soon as practicable after the end of each financial vear but not later than the thirty-first day of May in the next succeeding financial year, send to the Audit Office the Public Accounts for that year, which shall comprise a statement of the revenue and expenditure of the funds and accounts forming part of the Public Account. The accounts shall be certified by the Audit Office and returned to the Treasury within thirty days after the receipt thereof from the Treasury, and the Minister of Finance shall lay them before Parliament if sitting, or if not sitting, then within ten days after the commencement of the next ensuing session thereof."

- (2) Section eighty-eight of the Public Revenues Ibid., p. 45 Act, 1926, is hereby amended by inserting, after the word "abstract" wherever it occurs, the words "or Public Accounts ".
- 7. Section eighty-nine of the Public Revenues Act, Annual report by Controller 1926, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) By repealing subsection one:

(b) By omitting from subsection two the words Ibid., p. 45 "forthwith examine that statement", and substituting the words "in each year examine the Public Accounts received from the Treasury as provided in subsection two A of section eighty-five of this Act ":

and Auditor-

- (c) By omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection two the word "statement", and substituting the word "accounts":
- (d) By repealing subsection four, and substituting the following subsection:—
 - "(4) The Controller and Auditor-General shall lay the said report before Parliament within fourteen days after the Public Accounts have been laid before Parliament."

8. (1) The Marine Department may—

- (a) Establish, maintain, and operate schools of navigation:
- (b) Make such charges as may be fixed by the Minister of Marine for any tuition or services provided by or in connection with any such school of navigation:
- (c) Exercise such other powers as are reasonably necessary for the effective performance of the Department's functions under this section.
- (2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and forty-four.

9. (1) The Marine Department may—

- (a) Operate a steamer service for the carriage of passengers and cargo between the Bluff and Stewart Island and neighbouring ports:
- (b) Make such charges as may be fixed by the Minister of Marine for the carriage of passengers and freight and for any other matters in connection with any such service:
- (c) Exercise such other powers as are reasonably necessary for the effective performance of the Department's functions under this section.
- (2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-five.
- 10. For the purposes of the Stamp Duties Act, 1923, the date of the execution of any instrument relating to any transaction for which the approval, consent, or permission of the Minister of Lands or of a Land Board or of both that Minister and a Land Board is required under any Act or regulations shall be deemed to be the date on which the approval, consent, or permission is given or the date of the actual execution of the instrument, whichever is the later.

Authorizing Marine Department to operate schools of navigation.

Authorizing Marine Department to operate Stewart Island ferry service.

Date for stamp duty purposes of instruments requiring consent of Minister of Lands or of a Land Board. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 402

11. Section forty-two of the Death Duties Act. 1921, Extending is hereby amended by inserting in subsection one, after exemption of the words "crift data", "the words "crift data", "th the words "gift duty", the words "with respect to settlements any beneficial interest reserved thereby to the party from gift duty. making the settlement, or ".

See Reprint of Statutes. Vol. VII, p. 378

12. (1) Section seventy-nine of the Death Duties Estate duty Act, 1921, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) By omitting from subsection one the word duty need not "duties" and substituting the words "gift be denoted by duty and Native succession duty ":

(b) By omitting from subsections two and three the word "administration" wherever it occurs.

(2) This section shall not apply with respect to any death duties payable in respect of the estate of any person who has died before the passing of this Act.

13. Section eighty-three of the Death Duties Act. Native 1921, is hereby amended by adding to subsection five succession

the following proviso:—

"Provided that this subsection shall not apply in Commissione unless liable any case where the Registrar certifies in writing that to duty. the value of the property included in the succession Ibid., p. 392 order is less than two hundred pounds."

14. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary Special stamps in section nine of the Adhesive Stamps Act, 1939, any may be used for stamping special stamps created under that section may be used receipts. for the stamping of receipts, and for that purpose each 1939, No. 10 denomination shall have the same value as it has for postage purposes.

(2) The reference in subsection three of the said section nine to postage revenue shall be deemed to include a reference to revenue derived from the

stamping of receipts.

15. Section fifteen of the Customs Acts Amendment Decreasing Act, 1939, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection one the words "seventy-five per centum", and uncoined gold. substituting the words "forty per centum". 1939, No. 30

16. (1) Section six of the Education Act. 1914, is Increasing grants hereby amended by omitting from subparagraph (iii) to Education Boards for of paragraph (c) of subsection one, as substituted by general purposes. subsection one of section two of the Education Amend- See Reprint ment Act, 1938, the words "of one thousand pounds, vol. II, p. 1011 increased by the sum of three shillings for each child 1938, No. 14

and succession Ibid., p. 391

orders not to be sent to Commissioner

export duty on

in average attendance at any public school within the district ", and substituting the words " of such sum as shall be defined by regulations".

- (2) This section shall come into force on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and forty-six.
- 17. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section twenty-eight of the Government Life Insurance Act, 1908, it shall be lawful, with the approval of the Board constituted under that Act, to invest any part of the moneys from time to time in the Government Insurance Account in securities charged upon the public revenues of New Zealand issued in respect of any loan raised or to be raised under the authority of the War Expenses Act, 1939, or of any Act amending that Act, or in securities issued in renewal or redemption or conversion of any such securities.

conversion of any such securities.

(2) This section is in substitution for the Government Life Insurance (Investment) Emergency Regulations 1941, and those regulations are hereby accordingly revoked

Gazette, 1941, Vol. II, p. 2694

Authorizing investment

in war loans

of moneys in Government

Insurance

of Statutes,

1939, No. 29

Vol. IV., p. 65

Account. See Reprint

PART II

NATIONAL SECURITY TAX AND SOCIAL SECURITY CHARGE

18. (1) Section one hundred and twenty-six of the Social Security Act, 1938, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) By omitting the words "in any business carried on by him":

(b) By repealing the second proviso and substituting the following proviso:—

- "Provided also that where, if a profit had been made from the transaction in which the loss was incurred, the amount of the profit would not have been subject to the charge imposed on income by this Part of this Act, no relief shall be given under this section in respect of that loss."
- (2) This section shall apply with respect to losses incurred during the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and during every subsequent year.

Losses may be deducted from subsequent chargeable income under Social Security Act, 1938, although not incurred in business. 1938, No. 7

19. (1) Section sixteen of the Finance Act, 1940, as Reducing amended by subsection one of section eight of the rate of national Finance Act, 1942, is hereby further amended by security tax. omitting from subsection two the words "one penny 1940, No. 6 and one half-penny", and substituting the words "one 1942, No. 2 half-penny ".

(2) Section one hundred and thirteen of the Social Increasing Security Act, 1938, is hereby amended by inserting in rate of social security paragraph (c) of subsection one, after the words "one charge. penny ", the words "and one half-penny".

(3) Section seventeen of the Finance Act, 1940, as Consequential amended by subsection two of section eight of the reduction in combined Finance Act, 1942, is hereby consequentially amended charge. by omitting from subsection two the word "eightpence", and substituting the word "tenpence".

20. (1) The last preceding section shall apply with Commencement respect to the national security tax, social security in national charge, and combined charge on all salaries and wages security tax derived in respect of any period after the twelfth day and social security charge. of May, nineteen hundred and forty-six. For the purposes of this section the expression "salaries and wages" includes all income to which section one hundred and eighteen of the Social Security Act, 1938, applies.

- (2) Subject to the provisions of subsection three of this section, the last preceding section shall apply with respect to the national security tax, social security charge, and combined charge on all income (other than salaries and wages) derived (or deemed by the Social Security Act, 1938, or by any regulations thereunder to have been derived) during the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and fortysix, and during every subsequent year.
- (3) The last preceding section shall not apply with respect to any instalments of the national security tax, social security charge, or combined charge that became due and pavable, or are deemed by the Social Security Act, 1938, to have become due and payable, before the passing of this Act.
- 21. (1) Sections eight and nine of the Finance Act, Consequential 1942, are hereby consequentially repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything in this section, the said sections eight and nine shall continue to apply as if those sections were still in force with respect to all

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salaries and wages derived in respect of any period ending on or before the twelfth day of May, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and with respect to all income other than salaries and wages derived (or deemed by the Social Security Act, 1938, or by any regulations thereunder to have been derived) during the year ended on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-five, or during any earlier year.

22. (1) Section twenty-one of the Social Security

Amendment Act, 1939, as amended by section ten of

the Finance Act, 1942, is hereby further amended by

omitting from subsection one the word "eightpence".

and substituting the word "tenpence".

Authorizing companies to adjûst dividends in respect of altered national security tax and social security charge.

1939. No. 31 1942, No. 2

Repeal.

Abolishing social security registration fee.

1938, No. 7

Repeals.

Savings.

(2) Section ten of the Finance Act, 1942, is hereby

consequentially repealed. 23. (1) Section one hundred and eight of the Social Security Act, 1938, is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (a) thereof.

- (2) Section one hundred and thirteen of the Social Security Act, 1938, is hereby consequentially amended by repealing paragraph (a) of subsection one.
- (3) Sections one hundred and fourteen to one hundred and seventeen of the Social Security Act, 1938, are hereby consequentially repealed.
- (4) All instalments of the registration fee that have become due and payable, before the commencement of this section, under any of the enactments hereby repealed, and all penalties that have been incurred or would, but for the repeal of any such enactment, have been incurred in respect of any such instalment (whether before or after the passing of this Act), shall be payable and may be recovered and enforced in all respects as if the said enactments were still in force.
- (5) Any refund that could lawfully have been made on application before the commencement of this section in respect of any registration fee may be made in respect of any such fee, whether the fee is paid before or after the date of the commencement of this section. and whether application for the refund is made before or after that date.

- (6) All proceedings in respect of offences committed against any enactment repealed by this section may be commenced, continued, and completed as if the said enactment were still in force.
- (7) This section shall come into force on the first Commencement. day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-six.

PART III

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND PUBLIC BODIES

- 24. It shall be lawful and be deemed to have always Validating been lawful for any local authority or public body to expenditure by local authorities expend moneys out of its general fund or account for in connection the purpose of contributing towards or of meeting with peace celebrations. expenditure incurred for any celebrations held to mark the end of hostilities with any country with which His Majesty is or has been at war or the formal declaration of peace upon the termination of the war.
- 25. Whereas during the period which commenced on Validating the first day of August, nineteen hundred and forty-one, agreement between and ended on the thirtieth day of September, nineteen Tauranga hundred and forty-three, the Minister of Works supplied through transmission-lines belonging to the Tauranga Power Board, Tauranga Tauranga Borough Council (in this section referred to Borough Council, and as the Council) a supply of electricity that was received the Crown. and sold by the Tauranga Electric-power Board (in this section referred to as the Board) to its consumers: And whereas no payment has been made to the Minister in respect of the electricity so supplied: And whereas by an agreement dated the twenty-second day of November, nineteen hundred and forty-five, and made between the Board, the Council, and the Minister, it is provided that, instead of the payment of moneys in respect of the electricity so supplied, the Council shall supply to the Minister a corresponding quantity of electricity, with increment for interest, and that the Board shall pay the Council for that electricity: And whereas there is doubt as to the powers of the Board and the Council to make the said agreement: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

The said agreement is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made.

Authorizing transfer to National Provident Fund of superannuation funds established by local authorities.
See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VI, p. 43
Ibid., Vol. V, p. 433

- **26.** (1) This section shall be read together with and deemed part of the National Provident Fund Act, 1926 (in this section referred to as the principal Act).
- (2) Any local authority may make application, in accordance with the provisions of section twenty-two of the principal Act, to become a contributor to the National Provident Fund notwithstanding that it has established a superannuation fund under the Local Authorities Superannuation Act, 1908.
- (3) The Board shall not accept any local authority as a contributor to the National Provident Fund under this section except on the special condition that it becomes a contributor to that Fund on behalf of all the persons who are contributors to the superannuation fund of that local authority and that all the assets of the superannuation fund shall become assets of the National Provident Fund.
- (4) In fixing, for the purposes of any application under this section, any other terms and conditions under section twenty-four of the principal Act, the Board shall have regard to the rights and obligations of persons who at the time of the making of the application are contributors to the superannuation fund established by the local authority, and to the benefits to which any other persons may be entitled in respect of those contributors, and shall, so far as practicable, fix the terms and conditions so as to ensure that the rights of such contributors and other persons as aforesaid under the proposed pension scheme will be not less favourable to them than the rights to which they would be entitled if the local authority continued to maintain its superannuation fund.
- (5) If the local authority, by special resolution under section twenty-five of the principal Act, determines to become a contributor to the National Provident Fund in accordance with the terms and conditions fixed by the Board as aforesaid, then, on the taking effect of the special resolution, the following provisions shall apply:—
 - (a) The superannuation fund established by the local authority shall be deemed to be abolished, and all the obligations of the local authority

and all the rights of annuitants, contributors, and other persons in respect thereof shall be deemed to be determined:

Provided that if at any time within three months after the taking effect of the special resolution any such contributor notifies the Superintendent, in writing, that he desires to continue to have the rights and benefits to which he was entitled in respect of the superannuation fund, the contributor shall, as from the taking effect of the special resolution, continue to be entitled to those rights and benefits, and shall not become entitled to any rights or benefits under the terms and conditions fixed as aforesaid:

- (b) All the assets of the superannuation fund shall, without transfer, conveyance, assignment, or other assurance, be deemed to have been transferred to the National Provident Fund:
- (c) All annuitants and other persons immediately prior to the abolition of the superannuation fund, were in receipt retiring-allowances or other benefits therefrom shall thereafter and for so long as they would have been entitled to receive benefits from the superannuation fund be entitled to receive the same benefits from the National Provident Fund.
- (6) The transfer of the superannuation fund of any local authority to the National Provident Fund in accordance with this section shall not affect any special resolution passed, at any time before such transfer, by the local authority pursuant to section See Reprint two of the Local Authorities Superannuation Amend- of Statutes. Vol. V, p. 443 ment Act, 1912, and notwithstanding such transfer the local authority may pay or, as the case may require, continue to pay out of its ordinary revenues any additional annual allowance provided for in the special resolution, and the provisions of the said section two shall, so far as applicable and with the necessary modifications, continue to apply with respect to every such allowance as aforesaid.

Issue of debentures by local authorities to State Advances Corporation before whole loan advanced. 1936, No. 12

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. V, p. 360

27. Where the State Advances Corporation of New Zealand (in this section referred to as the Corporation) has pursuant to section twenty-eight of the State Advances Corporation Act, 1936, agreed to make a loan either out of the funds of the Corporation or out of the Housing Account to any local authority to enable it to acquire land as sites for workers' dwellings, for the erection of workers' dwellings, or for any other purpose in relation to workers' dwellings, the amount of any such loan may be paid to the local authority by such instalments and at such times as may be agreed upon between the Corporation and the local authority, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, the local authority may issue a debenture or debentures for the whole amount of the loan at the time when the first instalment thereof is paid to the local authority.

PART IV

Public Works

This Part to be read with Public Works Act, 1928. Ibid., Vol. VII, p. 622

Section 2 of Act (as to interpretation) amended. 28. This Part of this Act shall be read together with and deemed part of the Public Works Act, 1928 (in this Part referred to as the principal Act).

29. (1) Section two of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after the definition of the term "cattle", the following definition:—

"'Construction' and 'execution', in relation to a work, include the establishment, constitution, and undertaking thereof; and 'construct' and 'execute' have a corresponding meaning:".

(2) The said section two is hereby further amended by adding to the definition of "public work" and "work" the following paragraph:—

"(g) Any work or undertaking which the Governor-General by Order in Council declares to be a public work for the purposes of this Act:".

(3) The Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, declare any work or undertaking to be a public work for the purposes of the principal Act.

30. (1) The Governor-General is hereby empowered Acquisition of to take any land under the provisions of the principal land for Act for any of the following purposes:-

subdivision. &c.

- (a) Subdivision, development, improvement, grouping, or better utilization:
- (b) Provision or preservation of amenities:
- (c) Public safety in respect of any public work.
- (2) The Minister may carry out the subdivision of land, the regrouping of land, and the improvement and development of land for industrial, commercial, residential, and recreational purposes.
- (3) The carrying-out of any of the purposes referred to in subsection one hereof shall be deemed to be a public work within the meaning of the principal Act, and, subject to the provisions of this section, the provisions of that Act shall apply with respect thereto accordingly.
- (4) Nothing in section thirty-five of the principal Act shall apply in respect of any land which has been subdivided or otherwise dealt with as provided in subsection two hereof. The Minister may let the land for industrial, commercial, residential, or recreational purposes for a term not exceeding thirty-three years, and, if the Minister thinks fit, with perpetual or other rights of renewal, or the Minister may cause the land to be sold for the purpose of a private residence of the purchaser, on such terms as to the payment of the price thereof as the Minister may determine, either by private contract or by public application, or the Governor-General may by Proclamation set the land apart for the purposes of Part I of the Housing Act, 1919, or See Reprint declare the land to be Crown land subject to the of Statutes, Land Act, 1924. While the Servicemen's Settlement Vol. III, p. 798; Vol. IV, p. 622 and Land Sales Act, 1943, remains in force any land 1943, No. 16 sold under the provisions of this section shall be sold at a price fixed under Part III of that Act by the Land Sales Court or by a Land Sales Committee.
- 31. For the purpose of sections twenty-two, twenty- Survey not three, twenty-eight, and thirty-five of the principal Act, required when where it is proposed to deal with the whole of the land whole land in title dealt with. comprised in any certificate of title issued under the Land Transfer Act, 1915, and not limited as to parcels, See Reprint the description of the land contained in the certificate of Statutes, of title shall be deemed to be a sufficient identification p. 1162

of the land, and no survey or plan or certified map shall be necessary under any of those sections for the purposes of any notice, recommendation, memorial, Proclamation, Order in Council, certificate, or warrant:

Provided that nothing in this section shall be deemed to derogate from the provisions of section one hundred and seventy-eight of the Land Transfer Act. 1915.

32. (1) The Court may not award a gross sum in respect of two or more items of any claim for compensation, but the Court shall in respect of each item of the claim award a particular sum as compensation to be paid to the claimant, subject to such conditions as it may think equitable, or determine that no compensation is payable in respect thereof.

(2) Section eighty-two of the principal Act is hereby

repealed.

33. Section twenty-nine of the Finance Act (No. 3), 1944, is hereby amended by adding to paragraph (b) of subsection three the words "or five years before the date of entry on the land for the construction of the road, railway, or other public work, whichever is the later".

34. (1) Subsection two of section thirty-one of the Finance Act (No. 3), 1944, is hereby amended by inserting in paragraph (e), after the word "apportionment", the words "or allocation".

(2) The said section thirty-one is hereby further

amended by adding the following subsections:—

"(12) Agreements may be made under this section as well in respect of works that have been completed or partially completed as in respect of works not commenced.

"(13) The Main Highways Board or the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Council may be a party to an agreement with any local authority under this section in relation to any work or scheme which in the opinion of the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Works is of both national and local importance in the same manner and to the same effect as if the Board or the Council were the Minister of Works."

35. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act or in any other Act, any existing public work or part of any existing public work may be disposed of by the Minister to a local authority,

Separate sums to be awarded for items of claim.

Repeal.

Date of valuation of land affected by middle line proclamation. 1944, No. 31

Section 31 of Finance Act (No. 3), 1944 (as to combined works), amended. 1944, No. 31

Transfer of existing public works.

or by a local authority to the Minister or another local authority, for a public work, whether of the same kind or not, if reasonable provision for satisfying the requirements of the public interest in that work will continue to exist.

(2) Any agreement relating to the sale and purchase of a public work pursuant to this section may contain such provisions as the Minister and the local authority, or the two or more local authorities, think fit, and all the provisions of section thirty-one of the Finance 1944, No. 31 Act (No. 3), 1944, shall apply as if any agreement made under this section had been made under that section.

(3) In so far as any agreement under this section involves a change of the ownership of any land, the land may be taken by the local authority or the Minister, as the case may require, by Proclamation under section twenty-three of the principal Act, and the provisions of the principal Act as to the disposal of land held, taken, purchased, or acquired for a public work shall not apply.

36. (1) Section thirty-four of the Finance Act Extending (No. 3), 1944, is hereby amended as from the passing compensation

of that Act by adding the following subsection:—

"(9) In addition to the rights to compensation con- to control of level of ferred by section forty-two of the principal Act any Lake Taupo. person injuriously affected by the construction of the works referred to in the preamble to this section or by the exercise of any of the powers conferred by the last preceding section shall, subject to the provisions of subsection two of the said section forty-two, be entitled to full compensation in respect thereof to be claimed and determined as provided in this section. Without limiting the generality of the rights conferred by this subsection, a person shall be deemed to have been injuriously affected by reason of any of the aforesaid acts within the meaning of this subsection if he has suffered an injury by reason of anything which would have been a tort if it had been done without statutory authority."

(2) The said section thirty-four is hereby further amended by omitting from subsection four the words "twelve months", wherever they occur, and substituting in each place the words "sixteen months".

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PART V

MISCELLANEOUS

Retrospective operation of certain orders of the Government Railwavs Industrial Tribunal. 1944. No. 2

General increase of

salaries of

30th June, 1944.

Government servants from

- **37.** (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section eighteen of the Government Railways Amendment Act, 1944, any principal order made by the Government Railways Industrial Tribunal, whether before or after the passing of this Act, in respect of any application lodged before the first day of February, nineteen hundred and forty-five, and expressed as coming into force on or from the thirtieth day of June. nineteen hundred and forty-four, shall have effect according to the tenor of the order.
- (2) All acts done before the passing of this section that by virtue of this section would have been valid and lawful if this section had been in force when they were done shall be deemed to have been validly and lawfully done under the authority of this section.
- 38. (1) The enactments specified in the Schedule to this Act are hereby amended, as from the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-four, in the manner indicated in that Schedule.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, all payments made before the passing of this Act to persons employed by the Crown by way of increase of salary from the thirtieth day nineteen hundred and forty-four an increase provided for by a principal order of the Government Railways Industrial Tribunal or part of the general increases of salaries granted during the month of March, nineteen hundred and forty-five), shall be deemed to be and to have been validly and lawfully made if they do not exceed in any case the rate of seventy-five pounds a year.

General increase of salaries of employees of educational authorities.

39. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, all payments made before the passing of this Act to persons employed by any Education Board or by the governing body of any secondary school, University college, or other institution by way of increase of salary or allowances from the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-four (being part of the general increases of salaries and allowances approved by the Minister of Finance), shall be deemed to have been validly and lawfully made.

40. Where pursuant to any Act or other authority Increased grants are made from the Consolidated Fund or other grants to Education public moneys to any Education Board or to the Boards and governing body of any secondary school, University other bodies for general college, or other institution, and those grants are avail- increase of able either wholly or partly for the payment of salaries or allowances by that Education Board or governing authority, then, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or other authority, the amount of those grants payable for the financial year that ended on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-five, or for any subsequent year shall be increased by such amount as the Minister of Finance directs, not exceeding the amount required in his opinion to provide for such general increases of those salaries and allowances as are referred to in the last preceding section or prescribed by regulations under the Education Act. 1914.

41. The Minister of Finance may, if he thinks fit, Provision as to direct with respect to any person who retired from salaries of public servants any office or position between the thirty-first day of who retired March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, and the of Finance twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and Act (No. 2), thirty-four (being the date of the passing of the Finance Act (No. 2), 1934) that Part I of that Act shall be deemed to apply and to have always applied to that person in any case where that Act would have applied to him if he had held that office or been employed in that position on the passing of that Act.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. II, p. 1007

1934.

1934, No. 12

42. (1) Each Magistrate in New Zealand shall be Salaries of paid a salary at the rate of eleven hundred pounds a Magistrates. year.

(2) This section is in substitution for section eight Repeal. of the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1928, and that section, See Reprint and so much of the First Schedule to the Finance Act, Vol. II, p. 100 1932, as relates to that section, are hereby repealed.

1932. No. 11

(3) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-five.

Salaries of nominated members of Court of Arbitration. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. III, p. 973

Date of coming into force of regulations under Post and Telegraph Act, 1928. Ibid., Vol. VI, p. 936

Date of coming into force of scales of salaries of Public Service. 1944, No. 31 See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 545

Date of coming into force of regulations as to salaries and allowances under Education Act, 1914.

Extending duration of Part V of Finance Act (No. 3), 1944.

Date of next quinquennial census. See Reprint of Statutes,

Vol. I, p. 767

Repeal. 1940, No. 6

- 43. (1) Section seventy-three of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection one the words "seven hundred and fifty pounds", and substituting the words "eight hundred and twenty-five pounds".
- (2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-five.
- 44. Any regulations under Division III of the Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, that may be made after the passing of this Act shall come into force on a date to be specified therein in that behalf (whether before or after the date on which they are made), and if no such date is specified, shall come into force on the date of publication in the *Gazette* of a notification of the making of the regulations.
- 45. Section thirty-seven of the Finance Act (No. 3), 1944, is hereby amended, as from the passing of that Act, by inserting, after the words "Any regulations under the Public Service Act, 1912", the words "or any Order in Council under section nineteen of the Appropriation Act, 1920".
- 46. Section thirty-eight of the Finance Act (No. 3), 1944, is hereby amended, from the passing of that Act, by omitting the words "but before the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-five".
- 47. Section twenty-three of the Finance Act (No. 3), 1944, is hereby repealed.
- 48. (1) The census which by section four of the Census and Statistics Act, 1926, is required to be taken in the year nineteen hundred and forty-six shall not be taken, and the next census to be taken in accordance with that section shall be taken in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-one.
- (2) Section thirty-six of the Finance Act, 1940, is hereby repealed.

- 49. (1) For the purposes of this section, unless the Representation context otherwise requires, the expression "Member to take of the Forces" has the same meaning as in the servicemen Electoral Amendment Act. 1940.
- (2) As soon as practicable after the passing of this Act the Minister of Defence shall, for the purposes of Zealand into the Representation Commission established under the electoral districts, Electoral Amendment Act. 1945, give a certificate 1940, No. 21 showing the number of members of the Forces 1945, No. 10 (exclusive of Maoris) who on the twenty-fifth day of September, nineteen hundred and forty-five, outside New Zealand
- (3) A certificate under this section shall be accepted by the Representation Commission as final.
- (4) In computing the adult population of New Zealand for the purposes of section three of the Electoral Amendment Act, 1945 (which relates to the functions of the Representation Commission), there shall be added to the adult population as ascertained as the result of the census taken on the date aforesaid a number equal to the number of members of the Forces (exclusive of Maoris) certified as aforesaid to have been on that date outside New Zealand, and the total shall, for the purposes of the said section, be deemed to be the adult population of New Zealand.
- (5) For the purpose of fixing the boundaries of the several electoral districts the Representation Commission shall, in such manner as it thinks fit, allocate to the appropriate electoral districts if practicable, and, if not, shall allocate proportionately to the several electoral districts—
 - (a) The members of the Forces (exclusive of Maoris) certified as being outside New Zealand as aforesaid:
 - (b) The adult members of the Forces (exclusive of Maoris) who were residing in Armed Forces' establishments in New Zealand on the night of the said census: and
 - (c) The adult persons (exclusive of Maoris) who at the date of the said census were absent from their usual places of residence for

into account in making next division Serial number 1944/8 (Reprint)

Serial number 1940/273

Extending exemptions of certain transactions from Part VI of National Expenditure Adjustment Act, 1932, and power to exempt trading companies from that Part. 1945, No. 2 1932. No. 8

Authorizing trustees of New Plymouth Savings Bank to invest in debentures issued by New Plymouth Fire Board. See Reprint of Statutes,

Vol. VIII,

p. 153

the purpose of complying with obligations under the on them Man-power Emergency Regulations 1944.

- (6) For the purpose of fixing the boundaries of the several electoral districts no account shall be taken of enemy prisoners of war or of persons who at the date of the said census were detained in custody under the Aliens Emergency Regulations 1940.
- **50.** (1) Section eighteen of the Finance Act, 1945. is hereby amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

"(c) The moneys became owing in the course of a bona fide mercantile current account, either on account of goods sold by the trading company as an agent or on account of goods supplied to the company."

(2) Section fifty-seven of the National Expenditure Adjustment Act, 1932, is hereby amended by repealing subsection two, and substituting the following subsection:--

- "(2) The Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, exempt any trading company or class of trading companies from the operation of this Part of this Act either generally or in respect of any deposits or class of deposits and either unconditionally or upon or subject to such conditions as may be specified in the Order in Council. Any such Order in Council may in like manner be at any time amended or revoked.'
- 51. (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, and notwithstanding that the New Plymouth Board has no power to borrow money on the security of a general or special rate and is not a local body within the meaning of section thirty-four of Savings-banks Act. 1908, the trustees of the New Plymouth Savings Bank may make investments under the said section thirty-four in debentures issued by the said Board in respect of the New Plymouth Fire Board Property Loan, 1945, and secured upon its undertaking and all its present and future property (real or and revenues, including all contributions from time to time payable to the Board by the Minister of Finance, by insurance companies and by contributory

local authorities, subject only to the existing prior debentures issued in respect of the New Plymouth Fire Board Loan Conversion Order 1935, and the New Plymouth Fire Board Housing Loan, 1938.

- (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the investment in securities of the Board of any moneys exceeding in the aggregate the sum of six thousand pounds, or to increase the total amount that may be invested by the trustees under the said section thirty-four.
- (3) All acts done by the trustees and by the Board before the passing of this Act that by virtue of this section would have been valid and lawful if this section had been in force when they were done shall be deemed to have been validly and lawfully done under the authority of this section.
- 52. (1) Any local authority or other public body, Authorizing any corporation sole, any company or other incorpor-local authorities and others to ated body, any unincorporated body of persons, any contribute to trustee or trustees (including any statutory trustee or any fund for endowment of trustees or board of trustees), or any other person Chair of may from time to time, unless expressly prohibited by Gynecology. any Act or by any instrument of trust, make donations or grants for the purposes of any fund (in this section referred to as the fund) which is or may hereafter be established for the endowment of a Chair of Obstetrics and Gynæcology at any constituent college of the University of New Zealand.

- (2) For the purposes of this section, "local authority" means a local authority within the meaning of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, whether See Reprint by virtue of section two of that Act or of any Order in of Statutes, vol. V, p. 415 Council thereunder, or by virtue of the provisions of any other Act.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Savings-bank Act, 1908, the trustees of any savings- Ibid., Vol. VIII, bank may from time to time make contributions to the p. 142 fund out of the surplus profits of the bank.
- (4) All contributions made to the fund before the passing of this Act that would have been valid and lawful if made after the passing of this Act shall be deemed to have been validly and lawfully made.

Expenses of Regional Planning Councils. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. V, p. 415

- **53.** (1) In this section, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - "Local authority" means a local authority within the meaning of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, whether by virtue of section two of that Act, or of any Order in Council thereunder, or by virtue of any other Act:
 - "Regional Planning Council" means a body established in any region in New Zealand by the joint action of local authorities and other locally organized sections of the community for the purpose of promoting the physical and economic development of the region; and includes any committee established by the Council.
- (2) It shall be lawful for any local authority, or any other body of persons, whether incorporated or not, from time to time to pay out of its general fund or account to every person appointed to represent it as a member of any Regional Planning Council such travelling expenses and allowances, in respect of his attendance at meetings of the Council or travelling on the business of the Council with the authority thereof, as would lawfully be payable to a member of that local authority or body if he were travelling on the business of the local authority or body with the authority thereof.
- (3) Where any Regional Planning Council is or has been established in any region any local authorities, and any other bodies of persons, whether incorporated or not, within the region may, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by them, combine to establish a fund (in this section referred to as "the regional fund") for the purpose of meeting the expenditure referred to in subsection four of this section, and may from time to time, out of their general funds or accounts, contribute to the regional fund to such extent as is agreed upon by them.
- (4) Any moneys in the regional fund may from time to time be expended—
 - (a) In payment of all expenses incurred by the Regional Planning Council in carrying out its functions:

- (b) In payment to any member of the Council (not being an officer of the Public Service), in respect of his attendance at meetings of the Council or travelling on the business of the Council with the authority thereof, of such travelling expenses and allowances, out-ofpocket expenses, or compensation for loss of earnings, as may be determined by the Council, having regard, in any case where any local authority or other body exercises in respect of the member the power conferred on it by subsection two of the section, to the amount of travelling expenses and allowances paid or payable by that local authority or hody to the member in respect of such attendance or travelling as aforesaid.
- (5) All contributions and other moneys payable to the regional fund shall be paid to one of the contributing local authorities (in this section referred to as the principal local authority) to be appointed in that behalf by the Regional Planning Council.
- (6) All payments out of the regional fund shall be made by the principal local authority upon the certificate of some person or persons appointed in that behalf by the Regional Planning Council.
- (7) If any question arises as to whether any body is a Regional Planning Council for the purposes of this section, or as to whether any person is a member of any Regional Planning Council for the purposes of this section, it shall be determined by the Minister of Finance, and his decision shall be final.

54. Section twenty-nine of the Meat Act, 1939, is hereby Issue or amended by adding the following new subsection:

- "(5) The issue or renewal of any license under this slaughterhouse section shall be subject to such conditions as Minister or the Meat-producers Board with authority of the Minister, may impose."
- 55. Section sixteen of the Finance Act (No. 2), 1940, Section 16 of is hereby amended as from the passing of that Act by repealing subsection four, and substituting the following amended. subsection:-
- "(4) If the contributor is during the period of postponement appointed (whether permanently temporarily) to any service in respect of which he is

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required to be or entitled (whether unconditionally or otherwise) to become a contributor to any of the said Funds, and during or after the period of postponement. but before he has accepted a retiring-allowance or a refund of his contributions, becomes a contributor to that Fund as from the date of that appointment, the period of his service after that appointment shall be deemed for superannuation purposes to be continuous with the period of his service before his retirement. If in any such case the Fund to which he so becomes a contributor is not the Fund to which he was a contributor at the time of his retirement, the amount of his contributions in the last-mentioned Fund shall be transferred to his credit in the Fund to which he becomes a contributor, and the provisions of section one hundred and twenty of the Public Service Superannuation Act. 1927, shall, so far as they are applicable and with any necessary modifications, apply accordingly."

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 612

War bonus to superannuitants re-employed during war period. Ibid., pp. 574, 593

56. Any person who by reason of his re-employment in the Public Service or the Education Service for any period during the war has suffered a reduction in his retiring-allowance pursuant to subsection two of section thirty-three or subsection two of section seventyeight of the Public Service Superannuation Act, 1927, shall be entitled to receive from the Public Service Superannuation Fund or the Teachers' Superannuation Fund, as the case may be, such amount by way of war bonus (not exceeding the amount of the reduction so suffered by him) as the Minister of Finance may in his discretion determine.

57. Section twenty-nine of the Social Security Act. 1938, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:—

"(3) The payment of a family benefit shall not operate so as to take away or restrict any liability imposed by the Destitute Persons Act, 1910, on any person for the maintenance of any other person, or so as to affect the power of a Magistrate to make any maintenance order under that Act."

Payment of family benefit not to affect liability under Destitute Persons Act, 1910. 1938, No. 7 See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. II, p. 896

SCHEDULE

Schedule.

ENACTMENTS AMENDED

Section 38

1920, No. 31— The Civil List Act, 1920 (See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. I, p. 1027)	Number of Section, &c., affected.			Nature of Amendment.	
	Section 22	(1) (a)	••	By inserting, after the words "eight hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	
	Section 22	(1) (b)	••	By inserting, after the words "six hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	
	Section 22	(1) (0)	••	By inserting, after the words "eight hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	
	Section 22	(1) (d)	••	By inserting, after the words "six hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	
1926, No. 13— The Public Revenues Act, 1926 (See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 13)	Section 6	••	••	By inserting, after the words "thirteen hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	
1944, No. 7— The Finance Act (No. 2), 1944	Section 12	(1) (a)	••	By inserting, after the words "fifteen hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	
	Section 12	(1) (b)	••	By inserting, after the words "twelve hundred", the words "and seventy-five".	