

(Hon. Mr. Vogel.)

Civil Service Act Amendment.

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A BILL INTITULED

The Civil Service Act Amendment Act, 1873. Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the officers and persons in the Civil Service of the Colony, to whom the provisions contained in "The Civil Service Superannuation Act, 1858," "The Civil Service Amendment Act, 1861," and "The Civil Service Act, 1866," relative to superannuation or retiring allowances apply, should contribute to the Public Revenue, for the purpose of lightening the charge on the said revenues entailed by the payment of such allowances: And whereas it is also expedient that with respect to the officers and others in the Civil Service of the Colony to whom the said provisions do not apply, by reason of having entered into such service since the passing of "The Civil Service Act Amendment Act, 1871," an annual deduction should be made from the salaries payable to such persons, to be returned to them on leaving such service or dying, together with accumulated interest thereon:

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

1. The Short Title of this Act shall be "The Civil Service Act Amendment Act, 1873."

2. This Act shall not apply to the holders of offices mentioned or described in the Schedule hereto.

3. There shall be deducted by the Colonial Treasurer from and out of all salaries payable by the Colonial Treasurer to any officer or person in the Civil Service of the Colony to whom this Act applies, a sum after the rate of four pounds yearly for every hundred pounds of such salary, and so in proportion for every part of a hundred pounds of such salary.

Such deduction shall be made monthly, and be paid by the Colonial Treasurer into the Public Account, and be placed by the Colonial Treasurer to the credit of the Public Trust Fund; and the said moneys so deducted, together with the interest accruing on all securities in which the same shall be secured, or such part of such sums or deductions as the Government shall from time to time direct, shall from time to time be invested in the manner prescribed by "The Public Revenues Act, 1867," for the investment of moneys lying to the credit of the Public Trust Fund.

Officers entitled to pensions under Civil Service Acts to have on retirement option of pension or repayment of deductions and interest.

4. Whenever any officer to whom this Act applies, and who shall have entered the Civil Service before the passing of "The Civil Service Act Amendment Act, 1871," retires from the Civil Service under such circumstances as entitle him to an annual allowance under "The Civil Service Superannuation Act, 1858," "The Civil Service Superannuation Act, 1861," and "The Civil Service Act, 1866," or either or any of the said Acts, such person may elect either to take such annual allowance or to have repaid to him a sum equal to the moneys deducted as aforesaid from his salary together with interest thereon, computed as hereinafter provided: 5

In case such person elects to take such annual allowance, then the money so deducted from his salary, together with the interest thereon computed as aforesaid, shall be transferred from the Public Trust Fund to the Consolidated Fund, and form part of the revenues of the Colony. 10

In case such person elects to take the moneys so deducted, together with the interest thereon, then the same shall be paid to him from the moneys at the credit of the Public Trust Fund, and he shall have no claim to an annual allowance. 15

Officers not entitled to pension on retirement to have deductions and interest repaid to them.

5. Whenever any officer to whom this Act applies, and whether he shall have entered the Civil Service before or after the passing of "The Civil Service Amendment Act, 1871," retires from the Civil Service from whatever cause, whether from abolition of office or otherwise, and whether from his own fault or not, or is promoted or transferred to any of the offices in the Civil Service mentioned or described in the Schedule hereto, or dies, he or his personal representatives shall be entitled to be paid from the Public Trust Fund a sum equal to the moneys deducted under this Act from his salary, together with interest thereon, computed as hereinafter provided: 20

Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall apply to any officers having entered the Civil Service before the passing of "The Civil Service Amendment Act, 1871," and who on retiring from the Civil Service, take a pension or the deductions as provided for in the preceding section of this Act. 25

Nothing in this section contained shall be deemed to affect the provisions contained in the twelfth section of "The Civil Service Act, 1866," relative to compensation to officers on their services being dispensed with. 30

Interest to be allowed at same rate as on Post Office Savings Bank deposits.

6. Interest from time to time payable upon deductions made under this Act shall be at such rate as shall be from time to time fixed by Resolution of the House of Representatives, and until such Resolution be passed at the rate of four pounds and fifteen shillings for every hundred pounds, and every part of a hundred pounds, by the year; and such interest shall be computed in the same manner as on deposits made in the Post Office Savings Banks; and to that end such interest shall be calculated, in respect of the deductions from each officer's salary, to the thirty-first day of December in every year, and at the end of each year the interest allowed shall be added to and become part of the principal. 35

Interest to be added to deductions at end of each year.

Whenever any officer retires from the Civil Service at any time previous to the thirty-first day of December, interest on his deductions shall for that year be computed up to the date of his retirement. 40

SCHEDULE.

Responsible Ministers.
Judges of the Supreme Court.
Attorney-General.
Auditor-General.
Comptroller of the Public Accounts.
Officers not appointed by the Governor.
Officers appointed by the Governor to whose office salary is not appropriated by the General Assembly.
Members of Colonial Military or Volunteer Force.
Officers paid by commission or fees.
Persons holding honorary office or employed temporarily. 45