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NEW ZEALAND SUGGESTIVE THERAPEUTISTS.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Provision for the Incorporation of Suggestive Theraputists in New Zealand. Title.

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

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| <p>1. This Act may be cited as the New Zealand Suggestive Theraputists Act, 1910.</p> <p>2. In this Act, except where a different intention appears,—</p> <p>“ Association ” means the Association of Suggestive Theraputists in New Zealand established by this Act :</p> <p>“ Board ” means the Examining Board of the Association of Suggestive Theraputists established by this Act :</p> <p>“ Council ” means the Council of the Association of Suggestive Theraputists :</p> <p>“ Metaphysician ” means a person duly qualified, or authorized by the Board, to practise suggestive therapeutics. :</p> <p>“ Minister ” means the New Zealand Government's Minister of Internal Affairs for the time being administering this Act :</p> <p>“ Register ” means the register to be kept by the Association of Suggestive Theraputists.</p> <p>“ Registrar-General ” means the Registrar-General under the Marriage Act, 1908 :</p> <p>“ Registrar's Register ” means the Metaphysicians Register kept by the Registrar-General under this Act.</p> | <p>Short Title.</p> <p>Interpretation.</p> |
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*Establishment and Purposes of the Association of Suggestive Theraputists in New Zealand.*

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3. (1.) There is hereby established a body corporate to be called "The Association of Suggestive Theraputists in New Zealand." 5
- (2.) The said body corporate (which is hereinafter referred to as "the Association") is established for the purposes following:—
- (a.) Furthering the study and practice and disseminating the knowledge of suggestive therapeutics in New Zealand:
- (b.) Examining by its Examining Board the character, personal fitness, and knowledge of candidates desirous of qualifying as metaphysicians: 10
- (c.) Issuing certificates of qualification to metaphysicians (hereinafter described as professional members of the Association):
- (d.) Regulating and controlling the professional practice of suggestive therapeutics in New Zealand: 15
- (e.) Conserving the legal rights of and attaining a higher status for the professional members of the Association.

Members of Association.

4. (1.) The Association shall consist of the following classes of membership:— 20
- (a.) Associate members:
- (b.) Honorary members:
- (c.) Professional members.

Restrictions in the practice of suggestive therapeutics.

- (2.) The professional members shall be registered as metaphysicians, in accordance with the provisions of this Act. 25
5. No metaphysician, unless a duly qualified medical practitioner, shall be permitted to perform any surgical operation, or use, sell, or prescribe for any purpose, or under any pretence, any drugs, powders, or lotions in his practice of suggestive therapeutics.

Who entitled to be registered as a metaphysician.

6. The following classes of persons shall be entitled to be registered by the Association and the Registrar-General as metaphysicians:— 30

- (a.) Every person who has for a period of five years immediately prior to the passing of this Act been continuously engaged in the professional practice of suggestive therapeutics in New Zealand, and who is considered by the Board a suitable person to be registered as a metaphysician: 35
- (b.) Every person who, after the passing of this Act, passes an examination entitling him to be elected or admitted as a professional member of the Association, according to the requirements of the Board. 40

Members to be over twenty-one years, and of good character.

7. No person shall be registered as a metaphysician if he is less than twenty-one years of age, or if, in the opinion of the Board, he is not of good character and reputation, or is engaged or concerned in any business or occupation inconsistent with the integrity of the profession of a metaphysician. 45

Applications for registration.

8. (1.) Every application by any person to the Board to be registered as a metaphysician under paragraph (a) of section six hereof shall be in writing, and the statements therein shall be verified by a statutory declaration made by the applicant. 50
- (2.) Every such application shall be sent to the office of the Government Biologist, Wellington, and no application under para-

graph (a) of section six shall be granted unless it is received at the said office within six months after the passing of this Act.

9. Until twenty persons have been admitted as members of the Association, the Board shall have the sole and entire management, and may exercise all the powers and functions of the Association under this Act.

Board to control until twenty members are admitted.

10. When twenty persons have been admitted as members, the Association shall be deemed to be duly established and incorporated, and the Board shall call a general meeting of all the members, to be held at such time and place as the Board may determine.

Board to call general meeting when twenty members are admitted.

11. At the said general meeting, and at every annual meeting held by the Association thereafter, the members shall, by a majority of those present, elect the following officers:—

Members to elect Council and appoint officers.

(a.) President and Vice-president;

15 (b.) A Council to consist of the President, Vice-president, and seven members of the Association; and

(c.) Appoint a secretary and treasurer.

12. (1.) At any general meeting of the Association it shall be lawful for the members present thereat personally (or by proxy, if and so far as the regulations of the Association allow of voting by proxy) from time to time to make regulations, consistent with this Act, relating to any of the matters following:—

Regulations of Association.

(a.) The constitution of the Association:

25 (b.) The admission of honorary and associate members of the Association, and the modes in which persons cease to be members thereof:

(c.) The constitution, election, and tenure of office of the Council:

30 (d.) The election, appointment, resignation, or removal of the Council, President, Vice-president, and other officers and servants of the Association:

(e.) The holding of meetings of the Council or of the members of the Association:

(f.) The use and custody of the common seal of the Association:

35 (g.) The fees payable to the Association by the members thereof:

(h.) The powers, duties, and functions of the Council, and of the President, Vice-president, officers, and servants of the Association:

40 (i.) The custody, investment, and expenditure of the funds and property of the Association:

(j.) The manner of voting at any meeting of the Council, or of the members of the Association, or at any election:

(k.) The regulation and good government of the Association in all matters within its powers.

45 (2.) No such regulations shall come into force until they have been approved by the Governor in Council.

13. The registration of metaphysicians as professional members of the Association shall be recorded by the entry into a book or books, to be kept by the Secretary, of the following particulars:—

Association's register.

50 (a.) The name of the professional member:

(b.) The qualification by virtue of which he is registered:

(c.) His postal address:

(d.) Such other particulars (if any) as the Council thinks fit.

Registration of any additional qualifications of metaphysicians. Fees.

14. Every registered metaphysician is entitled to have any additional qualification (for which he has a diploma) inserted in the Registrar's Register on payment of the prescribed fee.

15. Every registered metaphysician shall be entitled to sue in any Court of law in New Zealand to the extent of the jurisdiction of such Court for the recovery of his fees or other remuneration for his professional services. 5

Registered office of Association.

16. (1.) The Association shall at all times have a registered office, and notice of the situation thereof and of any change in the situation thereof shall be given by the Council to the Registrar of Incorporated Societies, Wellington, under the Incorporated Societies Act, 1908, and shall be registered by him. 10

(2.) All writs, notices, or other documents required or authorized to be served on, or delivered or sent to, the Association or Council shall be deemed to be duly served, delivered, or sent, if left at the registered office of the Association. 15

Seal of the Association.

17. The common seal of the Association shall at all times remain in the custody of the Secretary, and shall not be impressed upon any document except by the direction of the President.

Examining Board.

18. (1.) An examining Board is hereby established, consisting of the Government Chief Health Officer, the Government Biologist (or those persons for the time being occupying either of the aforesaid offices), a Stipendiary Magistrate, and two metaphysicians shall, after the passing of this Act be appointed by the Minister of Internal Affairs as members of the Board. 20

(2.) The Minister of Internal Affairs shall also determine the time and place for the first meeting of the Board. 25

Association to elect two professional members to the Board annually.

19. The two metaphysicians on the Board for each ensuing year shall be elected by a majority of the members of the Association present at the annual meeting of the Association, or at a meeting to be especially called for that purpose; and, in default thereof, those last appointed and elected shall be considered as again appointed and elected. 30

Quorum at meetings of Board.

20. (1.) At every meeting of the Board three members thereof shall form a quorum, and no business shall be transacted at any meeting unless a quorum is present. 35

(2.) The Board shall at every meeting choose one of its members to be chairman of that meeting.

(3.) Every question before the Board shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the members present at a meeting of the Board. 40

(4.) The Chairman shall have both a deliberate, and, in case of an equality of votes, a casting vote.

(5.) A meeting of the Board may be summoned at any time by notice signed by any two members and sent to the other members. 45

Examinations by Board.

21. At any meeting of the Board it shall be lawful for the members present thereat personally (or by proxy, if and so far as the regulations of the Association allow of voting by proxy) from time to time to make regulations, consistent with this Act, relating to any of the matters following:— 50

(a.) The examinations of the character and fitness of candidates applying for admission as professional members of

the Association, and the fees payable for such examinations :

- 5 (b.) Prescribing the course of study and examination of persons desirous of obtaining certificates of fitness entitling them to be registered as professional members of the Association.

22. The Board shall send to the Secretary of the Association the names and addresses of candidates who qualify as professional members of the Association.

Board to notify Secretary of new professional members.

- 10 23. Subject to any regulations made by the Association, the Council shall have the sole and entire management of the Association, and of the income and property thereof, and may exercise on behalf of the Association all the powers and functions thereof.

Council to have sole control subject to regulations.

- 15 24. Three members of the Council shall form a quorum at any meeting thereof. Any three members of the Council may call a meeting thereof by giving fourteen clear days' notice in writing to the Secretary, but at any such meeting no other business than that specified in the notice shall be taken into consideration.

Quorum at meetings of Council.

- 20 25. The Council may pay to the Secretary, out of the funds of the Association, such salary as the Association thinks fit.

Council may pay Secretary from funds of Association. Returns to be made to Registrar-General.

- 25 26. (1.) Within three months after the establishment of the Council, and in the month of January of every year thereafter, the Council shall send to the Registrar-General, under the hand of the President, Vice-president, or Secretary, a complete list of the names and addresses of all metaphysicians or professional members of the Association.

(2.) The said list shall at all reasonable times remain open to public inspection in the office of the Registrar-General without fee, and shall be gazetted.

- 30 (3.) As often as any metaphysician is admitted as a professional member of the Association, and as often as any professional member ceases by reason of his resignation, removal, or expulsion to be a member thereof, the Council shall within seven days thereafter send a notice of the fact to the Registrar-General under the hand of the President, Vice-president, or Secretary ; and the Registrar-General shall thereupon make an entry accordingly in the aforesaid list of members.

- 40 27. The Registrar-General shall keep in his office a book called "The Metaphysicians Register," in which he shall have inserted the names, postal addresses, and qualifications of all persons registered as metaphysicians under this Act.

Registrar-General's Metaphysicians Register.

- 45 28. The Registrar-General shall from time to time erase the names of all registered metaphysicians who have died, and shall from time to time make the necessary alterations in the addresses of the metaphysicians registered under this Act.

Registrar-General to purge register.

- 50 29. (1.) A copy of the register certified by the Registrar-General to be a true copy shall, in the month of December in each year, be sent to the Minister of Internal Affairs, and shall by him be published in the *Gazette*.

Publication of register.

- (2.) A copy of the *Gazette* containing such publication shall be evidence for all purposes that the metaphysicians therein specified are registered according to the provisions of this Act.

Fees to be paid to Registrar-General.

30. The Registrar-General shall take and receive the under-mentioned fees, which shall be paid into the Public Account and form part of the Consolidated Fund:—

	£	s.	d.	
On deposit of diploma or other evidence of qualification ....	1	0	0	5
Certificate of registration ....	0	5	0	
Alteration of qualification in register ....	0	10	0	
Any other alteration of register ....	0	5	0	
Inspection of register ....	0	2	0	

Contracts made by Association.

31. (1.) Every contract made by the Association, which, if made by a private person, would require to be by deed, may be made under the common seal of the Association.

(2.) Every contract made by the Association which, if made between private persons, would require to be made or proved by writing, may be made or proved by writing signed by any person thereunto duly authorized on behalf of the Association. 15

(3.) Every contract made by the Association which, if made between private persons, may be made without writing may be made in like manner by any person thereunto duly authorized on behalf of the Association. 20

Copy under seal to be proof of regulations.

32. In any legal proceedings the production of any document purporting to be a copy of any regulations made by the Association and to be sealed with the seal of the Association shall, until the contrary is proved, be sufficient proof that those regulations have been duly made and are in full force and effect. 25

Appeal.

33. If any applicant is dissatisfied with the decision of the Board, he may, by motion in the Supreme Court, apply to such Court for an order to the said Board, and the Court may order that the person applying shall be registered, or that he may be registered conditionally or upon terms, or may decline to make such an order and with or without costs; and the Court may in such case, and in any other motion for the rectification of the Board, make such order with or without costs as it thinks fit. 30