

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

*House of Representatives,
19th August, 1892.*

[AS AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.]

Hon. Mr. Seddon.

ALIENS ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

<p>Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Children of naturalised parents deemed to be naturalised.</p>	<p>3. Facilities given to persons naturalised elsewhere. 4. Fee for naturalisation abolished, except in the case of Chinese. 5. Repeal. Schedule.</p>
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A BILL INTITLED

AN ACT relating to the Children of Naturalised Persons and the Charge for Letters of Naturalisation. Title.

BE IT 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 is "The Aliens Act Amendment Act, 1892." Short Title.

2. Where the father, or the mother being a widow, has obtained letters of naturalisation in New Zealand, every child of such father or mother who during infancy has become resident with such father or mother in any part of New Zealand shall be deemed and taken to be himself or herself naturalised, and have all the rights and privileges of a natural-born subject. Children of naturalised parents deemed to be naturalised.

3. Section seven of "The Aliens Act, 1880," is hereby repealed, and, in lieu thereof, it is enacted as follows:— Facilities given to persons naturalised elsewhere.

If any person resident in New Zealand, who has previously obtained any certificate or letters of naturalisation in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any part thereof, or in any British colony or possession, desires to be naturalised in New Zealand, he shall submit such certificate or letters of naturalisation to the Governor, together with a statutory declaration, to be subscribed by the applicant, to the effect that he is the person named in the said certificate or letters of naturalisation, and that the same has been obtained without any fraud or intentional false statement, and that the signature and seal (if any) thereto are, to the best of his belief and knowledge, genuine;

And thereupon the Governor may, at his discretion, without requiring from the applicant any further resi-

dence in New Zealand, or (if the applicant has previously taken a similar oath) the oath prescribed under the aforesaid Act, direct the Colonial Secretary to indorse upon such certificate or letters a memorandum, in the form or to the effect in the Schedule hereto, and a note of such certificate or letters and memorandum, with the particulars of the applicant's name, age, and nationality, shall be enrolled in the same manner as in the case of the issue of letters of naturalisation in the colony. 5

The person named in the said certificate or letters of naturalisation shall, for all purposes, from the date of the aforesaid memorandum, be deemed to be naturalised within the colony as if letters of naturalisation, under the seal of the colony, had been issued to the said person. 10

Fee for naturalisation abolished, except in the case of Chinese.

4. No fee shall be paid henceforth by any person in respect of the enrolment or indorsement of letters of naturalisation by the Colonial Secretary, excepting in the case of persons of the Chinese race, who shall pay in respect of such enrolment or indorsement such fee, not exceeding *one* pound, and ~~not less than ten shillings~~, as the Governor in Council from time to time may appoint. 15

Repeal.

5. All the words of section eight of "The Aliens Act, 1880," after the words "issued under this Act" are hereby repealed, and also "The Aliens Act Amendment Act, 1882," is hereby repealed. 20

SCHEDULE.

MEMORANDUM TO BE INDORSED ON LETTERS OF NATURALISATION.

Accepted, noted, and registered in New Zealand.

THE within-named is hereby naturalised for all purposes within the Colony of New Zealand, from the date of this memorandum.

Dated at Wellington, New Zealand,
this day of , 18 .

A.B.,
Colonial Secretary of New
Zealand.