ACCIDENT REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION INSURANCE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 4)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

GENERAL POLICY STATEMENT

The Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Corporation is required to make a bulk payment to the Crown for the purchase of motor vehicle and work related public health care costs. This bulk purchase, which has been annually legislated for in the past, was to be accommodated in the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Amendment Bill (No.2) which is currently before a select committee. There is not, however, any guarantee that this Bill will be passed prior to 30 September 1996, by which time the payment for these services needs to have been made.

In the absence of the ability to rely upon that Bill being in force, it has been decided that this Bill should be passed to guarantee that the payment can be made.

Without this legislation, the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Corporation will not be able to pass \$99,663,000 to the Crown for the purchase of health services for ACC claimants.

OTHER EXPLANATORY NOTES

Clause 1 relates to the Short Title.

Clause 2 provides for the payment of \$99,663,000 by the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Corporation to the Crown. The payment relates to the year ending on 30 June 1997 and represents the costs of health and disability services provided in respect of work related injuries and motor vehicle related injuries purchased by regional health authorities for that year. The payment comprises \$35,800,000 in respect of work related injuries and \$63,863,000 in respect of motor vehicle related injuries. Section 3 of the Finance Act 1995 contains a similar provision for the year ending 30 June 1996.

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ACCIDENT REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION INSURANCE AMENDMENT (NO. 4)

ANALYSIS

Title 1. Short Title 2. Corporation payment to Crown Bank Account for public health care costs in respect of year ending 30 June 1997

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

- 5 1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Amendment Act (No. 4) 1996, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992* (in this Act referred to as the principal Act).
- 2. Corporation payment to Crown Bank Account for public health care costs in respect of year ending 30 June 1997—(1) In respect of the year ending with the close of the 30th day of June 1997, the Corporation shall, not later than that day, pay to a Crown Bank Account nominated by the
 15 Minister of Finance the amount of \$99,663,000 (inclusive of goods and services tay) in respect of the costs of health and
- goods and services tax) in respect of the costs of health and disability services purchased by the regional health authorities in respect of—
 - (a) Motor vehicle injuries; and
 - (b) Work injuries (including subsequent work injuries); and
 - (c) Injuries referred to in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of this subsection that are suffered by overseas visitors.

*1992, No. 13

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Amendments: 1992, No. 91; 1992, No. 136; 1993, No. 25; 1993, No. 55; 1993, No. 135; 1995, No. 1

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- (2) Of the amount specified in subsection (1) of this section,—
- (a) Notwithstanding section 100 (3) (a) of the principal Act, the Corporation shall debit \$35,800,000 (inclusive of goods and services tax) to the Employers' Account established under section 100 of that Act; and
- (b) Notwithstanding section 108 (3) (a) of the principal Act, the Corporation shall debit \$63,863,000 (inclusive of goods and services tax) to the Motor Vehicle Account established under section 108 of that Act;—

and section 121 (4) of the principal Act shall have effect 10 accordingly.

(3) The Corporation is hereby authorised—

- (a) To apply the funds in the said Employers' Account towards payment of the amount referred to in paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of this section:
- (b) To apply the funds in the said Motor Vehicle Account towards payment of the amount referred to in **paragraph** (b) of that subsection.

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