

Hon. Mr. Parr.

DENTISTS AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Dentists Act, 1908.

Title.

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 Dentists Amendment Act, 1921, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Dentists Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title.

2. (1.) No person shall, unless he is registered as a dentist under the principal Act, practise or hold himself out, whether directly or by implication, as practising or as being prepared to practise dentistry.

Prohibition of practice of dentistry by unregistered persons.

Cf. 11 & 12 Geo. 5, c. 21, sec. 1 and sec. 5 (5).

(2.) Any person who acts in contravention of the provisions of this section shall, in respect of each offence, be liable to a fine of *one hundred pounds*.

(3.) Nothing in this section shall operate to prevent—

(a.) The practice of dentistry by a registered medical practitioner;

(b.) The extraction of a tooth by any person where the case is urgent and no registered medical practitioner or dentist is available and the operation is performed without the application of any general or local anæsthetic;

(c.) The performance in any public dental service of minor dental work by any person in accordance with conditions approved by the Minister;

(d.) The carrying-on, in accordance with conditions approved by the Minister, of the practice of dentistry at any hospital controlled by a Hospital Board under the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909; or

(e.) The carrying-on of the practice of dentistry at any dental school which is approved for the purposes of this section by the Senate.

"Practice of dentistry" defined.
Cf. 11 & 12 Geo. 5,
c. 21, sec. 14 (2),

3. For the purposes of the principal Act and this Act the expression "practice of dentistry" shall be deemed to include the performance of any such operation and the giving of any such treatment, advice, or attendance as is usually performed or given by dentists, and any person who performs any operation or gives any treatment, advice, or attendance on or to any person as preparatory to, or for the purpose of, or in connection with the fitting, insertion, or fixing of artificial teeth shall be deemed to have practised dentistry within the meaning of the said Acts.

Section 10 of principal Act (prescribing qualifications of applicants for registration) amended.

4. Section ten of the principal Act is hereby amended by 10 repealing paragraph (a), and substituting the following paragraph:—

"(a.) Is the holder of a degree or diploma in dental surgery approved by the Senate, and conferred by a University or dental college in the United Kingdom; or"

Section 20 of principal Act amended.

5. Section twenty of the principal Act is hereby amended by 15 repealing the proviso thereto.

Unregistered person not to be permitted to practise in name or on behalf of dentist.

6. (1.) No dentist shall permit any unregistered person to carry on the practice of dentistry in his name or on his behalf, whether on the premises where such dentist is practising or elsewhere.

(2.) Every person who commits a breach of this section is 20 liable to a fine of *one hundred* pounds.

Consequential repeal.

(3.) This section is in substitution for section twenty-two of the principal Act, and that section is hereby accordingly repealed.