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EDUCATION AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Education Act, 1914.

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority 5 of the same, as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Education Amendment short Title. Act, 1936, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Education Act, 1914 (hereinafter referred to See Reprint as the principal Act).

of Statutes, Vol. II, p. 1007

No. 76—1.

"School age" defined.

2. (1) Section two of the principal Act (as amended by section thirty-three of the Finance Act, 1932) is hereby amended by omitting from the definition of the term "school age" the word "six" and restoring the word "five".

(2) No child who has not attained school age shall be enrolled in any public school or Native school, and no child over school age shall, without the special leave of the Committee, be allowed to attend any public school other than a district high school or an intermediate school 10 or the intermediate department of any school.

(3) Subsection three of section thirty-three of the Finance Act, 1932, and section eight of the Education Amendment Act, 1932-33, are hereby consequentially repealed.

(4) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and

3. The Order in Council dated the twenty-seventh day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, and published 20 in the Gazette of the second day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, at page six hundred and seventy-six (purporting to be made under the authority of the principal Act and relating to the computation of average attendances at schools during the year nineteen 25 hundred and thirty-five), is hereby declared to be, and at all times since the making thereof to have been, valid.

4. The Order in Council dated the first day of April. nineteen hundred and thirty-six, and published in the Gazette of the second day of the same month, at page 30 six hundred and seventy-five (purporting to be made under the authority of the principal Act and relating to training colleges), is hereby declared to be, and at all times since the making thereof to have been, valid, and to have come into force, in accordance with the 35 provisions thereof, on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-six.

5. (1) The Minister may from time to time by writing under his hand authorize any Board to pay to its Chairman such sum by way of remuneration for 40 his services as the Minister may approve, not exceeding in any year the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds. The total amount authorized to be paid under this section in any year by all Boards shall not exceed seven hundred and eighty pounds.

Consequential repeals.

1932, No. 11 1932-33, No. 49

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(2) Any authority given under this section may be at any time in like manner varied or revoked, and until so varied or revoked shall continue in force from year to vear according to its tenor.

(3) Payments under this section may be made by monthly or other instalments as the Minister may

approve.

(4) This section is in substitution for section Consequential thirty-six of the Finance Act, 1925, and that section is

10 hereby accordingly repealed.

6. (1) The Board may in any year expend for the Vol. II, p. 1019 maintenance and improvement of school-grounds such proportion, as the Minister may approve, of the moneys available for expenditure during that year out of the 15 special fund kept by the Board pursuant to subsection six of section thirty-three of the principal Act for, inter alia, the maintenance and repair of schools and of teachers' residences.

(2) Any payments heretofore made by any Board 20 out of the special fund hereinbefore referred to, in excess of the limit fixed by section four of the Education 1934-35, No. 46 Law Amendment Act, 1934–35, are hereby validated, and the said section four is hereby repealed.

7. Any special class established in accordance with special classes 25 the first proviso to subsection two of section fifty-six of the principal Act may, if the Minister so directs or be conducted approves, be conducted in the home of any child or in private homes. children in attendance at such class.

8. Section two of the Education Amendment Act, Amending 30 1932-33, is hereby amended by repealing subsections provisions as five and six thereof, and substituting the following of teachers subsections:—

"(5) The Board may by advertisement invite positions. applications for appointment to any position under its 1932-33, No. 49 35 control, and no appointment that involves an increase of the salary of the person appointed shall be made unless the position has been advertised by the Board in such manner as the Minister may require or approve.

" (6) Before making an appointment to any position 4() in respect of which applications have been invited by advertisement, the Board shall consult with the Senior Inspector and shall take into account the fitness for the vacant position of all teachers whose names have been forwarded to the Board by the Director pursuant to 45 the provisions of subsection four hereof and who have

See Reprint of Statutes, Empowering Education Boards to expend moneys for maintenance or improvement of schoolgrounds. Ibid., p. 1021 Repeal,

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applied for the position, and if the appointment would not involve an increase of salary shall appoint the most suitable of those teachers, unless it is of opinion that none of them is suitable to fill the vacant position."

9. (1) The examination heretofore known as "the proficiency examination" shall not be held at any time after the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, and the certificates heretofore known as "certificates of proficiency" or as "certificates of competency" shall not be issued after the said date.

(2) On the first day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, the principal Act shall be deemed to be

consequentially amended as follows:-

(a) As to section sixty thereof, by omitting paragraph (e) of subsection one, and substituting 15 the following paragraph:—

"(e) That the child has attained the age of thirteen years, and has satisfactorily completed, in accordance with regulations in that behalf, the work of Form II (as prescribed 20)

in the public-school syllabus)":

(b) As to subsection three of section eighty-eight thereof, by omitting from paragraph (a) the words "have obtained certificates of proficiency under the regulations of the public-school syllabus", and substituting the words "are qualified in accordance with regulations to be admitted to a secondary school":

(c) As to subsection four of section eighty-eight thereof, by omitting therefrom the words 30 "holding certificates of proficiency" wherever they occur, and in each case substituting the words "qualified in accordance with regulations to attend such school":

(d) As to section ninety-seven thereof, by repealing 35 the proviso to subsection one; by repealing subsection two; by omitting from subsection three the words "It may also admit pupils that have not obtained such certificate to a lower department of such secondary school", 40 and substituting the words "A secondary school may also admit to a lower department thereof pupils who have not qualified for admission under subsection one hereof":

(e) By repealing section ninety-eight thereof.

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10. (1) For the purposes of section thirty-four of the Salaries and Education Amendment Act, 1920, the term "teachers" allowances of includes and at all times heretofore has included and part-time student-teachers and part-time teachers.

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(2) Any regulations that may hereafter be made schools. prescribing the salaries and allowances payable to student-teachers may, in so far as they prescribe salaries and allowances for the current year, be made retrospective to the first day of February, nineteen hundred 10 and thirty-six.

11. (1) The Governor-General may by Order in Officers of Council declare that officers of the Public Service who the Public are employed as teachers in any school under the control engaged as of the Education Department shall, on a date to be teachers in the 15 specified in the Order in Council in that behalf, cease to Service may be subject to the Public Service Act, 1912, and thereafter be placed the officers to whom such Order in Council relates shall of Minister. be under the control of the Minister.

(2) The power conferred by this section shall not be 20 deemed to be restricted or in any way affected by the provisions of section four of the Public Service Act, 1912. See Reprint

(3) By the same or a subsequent Order in Council of Statutes, the Governor-General may make regulations with respect p. 523

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(a) The staffs of teachers to be employed in any school under the control of the Education Department:

(b) The rates of salaries and allowances to be paid to teachers employed in any such school, and the conditions of their employment (including conditions as to leave of absence):

(c) Any other matters in relation to such schools or to the teachers employed therein.