# AS REPORTED FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

House of Representatives, 25th July, 1923.

## Hon. Mr. Downie Stewart.

### IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION AMENDMENT.

Title. 1. Short Title.

#### ANALYSIS.

2. British subjects by birth may enter New Zealand without taking oath of allegiance. Section 15 of Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1920, amended.

3. Declarations required from persons arriving in New Zealand. Exemptions. Consequential repeals.

### A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Immigration Restriction Act, 1908.

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

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1. This Act may be cited as the Immigration Restriction short Title. Amendment Act, 1923, and shall be read together with and deemed

part of the Immigration Restriction Act, 1908. 2. (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section British subjects by 10 fourteen of the Immigration Restriction Amendment Act, 1920, birth may ent nothing in Part II of that Act shall apply to any person who is a without taking subject of His Majesty by birth.

(2.) Section fifteen of the Immigration Restriction Amendment Section 15 of Act, 1920, is hereby amended by omitting the words "birth or" repealed. Restriction

3. (1.) Save with the authority of the Minister, no person Amendment Act, shall land in New Zealand from any place beyond the seas unless and until he has made and delivered to an officer of Customs required from a declaration in the prescribed form.

(2.) The *last preceding* subsection shall not apply—

(a.) To a child under the age of fifteen years; or

(b.) To a person arriving in New Zealand as the master or a Exemptions. member of the crew of the vessel in which he arrives.

(3.) Any person who arrives in New Zealand from any place beyond the seas as the master or a member of the crew of any vessel 25 may thereupon, or at any time thereafter, whether before or after he has landed from that vessel, be required by an officer of Customs or of police to make and deliver to that officer a declaration in the prescribed form.

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birth may enter oath of allegiance.

Immigration 1920, amended. Declarations persons arriving in New Zealand. Cf. 1919, No. 44 sec. 3.

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(4.) Every person commits an offence against this Act and shall

be liable accordingly who,—

(a.) Being required by this section to make and deliver a declaration before landing in New Zealand, lands in New Zealand without having made and delivered such declaration; or

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(b.) Being required by an officer of Customs or of police to make and deliver a declaration pursuant to this section, refuses or fails to make and deliver the same accordingly; or

(c.) Makes any declaration under this section which is in any

respect wilfully false or misleading.

(5.) This section is in substitution for section three of the Undesirable Immigrants Exclusion Act, 1919, and that section and the Schedule to the said Act are hereby repealed.

By Authority: W. A. G. SKINNER, Government Printer, Wellington.-1923.

Consequential repeals.