

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,
4th June, 1943.*

Right Hon. Mr. Fraser

ISLAND TERRITORIES

ANALYSIS

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Better Provision for the Administration of the Island Territories and Mandated Territories and Dependencies of New Zealand. Title.

5 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 Island Territories Act, 1943. Short Title.

10 2. (1) The Governor-General may appoint a member of the Executive Council to hold office during his pleasure as the Minister of Island Territories (hereinafter referred to as the Minister). Minister of Island Territories.

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of Statutes,
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of Statutes,
Vol. II, p. 658

(2) The Third Schedule to the Civil List Act, 1920, is hereby consequentially amended by adding to the list of Ministerial offices specified in Part I thereof a reference to the Minister of Island Territories.

3. (1) The functions of the Minister for the Cook Islands under the Cook Islands Act, 1915, and the functions of the Minister of External Affairs under the Samoa Act, 1921, and under the Cook Islands Amendment Act, 1932 (which relates to the Island of Niue), shall hereafter be functions of the Minister of Island Territories. 5

(2) In respect of any territory out of New Zealand which may at any time be a dependency or mandated territory of New Zealand or otherwise be under the jurisdiction of the Government or Parliament of New Zealand, the Minister of Island Territories shall be charged with the administration of the government of that territory in accordance with the constitution and laws of that territory as duly established. 15

4. (1) There shall from time to time be appointed as an officer of the Public Service a Secretary of Island Territories, who shall, under the control of the Minister, exercise and perform such secretarial and other functions relative to the Ministry of Island Territories as the Minister may determine. 20

(2) There may also be appointed such other officers of the Public Service as may be deemed necessary to assist the Secretary in the execution of his office. 25

5. (1) Section seven of the External Affairs Act, 1919, the External Affairs Amendment Act, 1920, the Cook Islands Amendment Act, 1932, and sections five to eight of the Cook Islands Act, 1915, are hereby repealed. 30

(2) Section two of the Cook Islands Act, 1915, is hereby amended by repealing the definitions of the terms "Minister" (or "Minister for the Cook Islands") and "Secretary", and substituting the following definitions:— 35

" 'Minister' means the Minister of Island Territories: 40

" 'Secretary' means the Secretary of Island Territories: "

(3) Section three of the Samoa Act, 1921, is hereby amended by repealing the definition of the term "Minister", and substituting the following definition:—

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of Statutes,
Vol. II, p. 791

5 " " Minister ' means the Minister of Island Territories: ".

(4) Section twenty of the Finance Act, 1931 (No. 2), is hereby amended by omitting the words " Minister for the Cook Islands or the Minister of External Affairs, as the case may require ", and substituting the

Ibid., p. 881

10 words " Minister of Island Territories ".

(5) All references to the Minister for the Cook Islands or to the Secretary for the Cook Islands in any Act, regulation, order, or other enactment, or in any agreement, deed, instrument, application, license,

15 notice, or other document whatsoever shall, unless inconsistent with the context or with the provisions of this Act, be read hereafter as references to the Minister of Island Territories or to the Secretary of Island Territories, as the case may be.

20 (6) All references to the Minister of External Affairs or to the Secretary for External Affairs in any Act, regulation, order, or other enactment relating to Samoa or to the Island of Niue, or in any agreement, deed, instrument, application, license, notice, or other

25 document relating to Samoa or to the Island of Niue shall, unless inconsistent with the context or with the provisions of this Act, be read hereafter as references to the Minister of Island Territories or to the Secretary of Island Territories, as the case may be.

30 (7) All acts of authority done by the Minister of External Affairs in relation to Samoa or the Island of Niue or under section seven of the External Affairs Act, 1919, or done by the Minister for the Cook Islands, and in force at the commencement of this Act, shall

Ibid,
Vol. I, p. 1033

35 continue in force as if done by the Minister of Island Territories.