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JUVENILE SMOKING SUPPRESSION.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to prohibit the Sale or Supply of Cigarettes, Cigars, or Tobacco to, and the Smoking of Cigarettes, Cigars, or Tobacco by, Persons under Seventeen Years of Age.

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. The Short Title of this Act is "The Juvenile Smoking Suppression Act, 1903."

Short Title.

10 2. Every person who sells, gives, or supplies any cigarette, cigar, or tobacco in any form to any youth under the age of seventeen years shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence against the provisions of this Act, and upon conviction thereof shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding ten pounds.

Penalty for supplying tobacco to youths.

15 3. Every youth under the age of seventeen years who *in a public place as defined by the first three subsections of section eighteen of "The Police Offences Act, 1884,"* smokes a cigarette, cigar, or any part thereof, or tobacco in any form, shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence against this Act, and upon conviction thereof shall be

20 liable for the first offence to have a conviction recorded against him, or for the second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not exceeding five shillings, and for the second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not exceeding ten shillings.

Smoking by youths prohibited.

25 4. No person youth shall be convicted under this Act for using or smoking tobacco, cigars, or cigarettes if he produces a written permission from the guardian or parent of such youth, or a certificate of a legally qualified medical practitioner to the effect that the using or smoking of tobacco, cigars, or cigarettes is beneficial to the health of such person; and no person shall be convicted of supplying

30 tobacco, cigars, or cigarettes to a person under the age of seventeen years if he produces a certificate as aforesaid in respect of the person whom he is charged with supplying any such articles.

No conviction if for benefit of health.

35 5. Any penalty imposed by under section two of this Act may be recovered in a summary manner under "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882," and any penalty imposed under section three hereof shall be recovered as a debt from the parent or guardian of such youth.

Recovery of penalties.

Commencement of Act.

6. This Act shall come into force on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and four.