

Hon. Mr. MacGregor.

LAW AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make a certain Amendment in the Law.

Title.

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

5 1. This Act may be cited as the ~~Law—Amendment~~ *Bills of Exchange Amendment Act, 1920, and shall be read with and form part of the Bills of Exchange Act, 1908.*

Short Title.

10 2. Where a banker in good faith and without negligence pays a cheque drawn upon the bank, and the cheque has been so drawn as to afford facility for the fraudulent alteration of the amount thereof, and the cheque has been so fraudulently altered, the bank shall not incur any liability by reason of its having paid the cheque.

Payment by bank of cheque fraudulently altered.

*Struck out.*

15 3. In all cases where two or more persons have died in circumstances rendering it uncertain which of them survived, the deaths shall for all purposes affecting the title to any property be presumed to have taken place in order of seniority, and the younger be presumed to have survived the elder.

Presumption of survivorship.