This Public Bill originated in the House of Repre-SENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives. 10th October, 1946.

## Right Hon. Mr. Nash

#### LAND AND INCOME TAX AMENDMENT

# ANALYSIS

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#### A BILL INTITULED

An Acr to amend the Land and Income Tax Act, 1923. 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 Land and Income short Title. Tax Amendment Act, 1946, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Land and Income Tax Act, See Reprint 1923 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII.

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2. (1) Section eleven of the Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1939, is hereby amended as follows:-

(a) By omitting from subsection two the words "but does not include any person to whom or on whose behalf a monetary benefit is payable out of the Social Security Fund ":

(b) By inserting, after subsection two, the fol-

lowing subsection:

"(2A) No special exemption shall be allowed under this section in respect of any 10 relative of the taxpayer to whom or on whose behalf any monetary benefit other than a family benefit was payable out of the Social Security Fund during the whole or any part of the income year."

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(2) This section shall apply with respect to the tax for the year of assessment that commenced on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and for

every subsequent year.

3. (1) Section six of the Land and Income Tax 20 Amendment Act, 1933, section thirteen of the Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1935, and section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1939, are hereby repealed.

(2) Section one hundred and twenty-five of the Social Security Act, 1938, is hereby consequentially 25

amended as follows:-

(a) By omitting from subsection three the words " or section six of the Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1933 ":

(b) By omitting from the said subsection three the 30 words "those sections", and substituting the words "that section".

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(3) This section shall apply with respect to the tax for the year of assessment that commenced on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and for every subsequent year.

4. (1) For the purposes of this section,— "Beneficial owners", in relation to any land, means the persons who are beneficially entitled land being (whether in severalty or as tenants in developed under Part I common) to an estate in fee-simple in that of Native land, whether legal or equitable:

"Native authority" has the same meaning as in Act, 1936. section twenty-nine of the Land and Income 1939, No. 34

Tax Amendment Act, 1939:

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"Tax" means income-tax, and includes social security charge and national security tax:

Income shall be deemed to be distributed to a beneficial owner when it is paid to the beneficial owner or applied for his benefit or for any purpose authorized by him.

20 (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section twenty-nine of the Land and Income Tax 1939, No. 34 Amendment Act, 1939, or in any other Act, any income derived by a Native authority (whether as trustee or agent or otherwise) from any land that is being 25 developed or improved by the Native authority under

Part I of the Native Land Amendment Act, 1936 (not 1936, No. 53 being land that is occupied by any person as a lessee, or as an occupier nominated under the said Part I), shall be deemed to be assessable income derived by the

30 beneficial owners of that land in the income year in which that income is distributed to the beneficial owners, and the Native authority shall be assessable and liable for tax accordingly as agent for the respective beneficial owners in respect of the income so distributed in any 35 income year, and all the provisions of the principal-

Act as to agents shall apply accordingly.

(3) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section five hundred and fifty of the Native Land Act, See Reprint 1931, or in any other enactment, a Native authority of Statutes, Vol. VI, p. 346 40 may pay the tax payable in respect of any income distributed by the Native authority to a beneficial owner, and may deduct and retain out of any income

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available for distribution to a beneficial owner such amount or amounts as may be necessary to pay any tax that may be or become payable in respect of the income distributed or to be distributed to that beneficial owner.

(4) This section shall apply with respect to the tax for the year of assessment that commenced on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty, and for

every subsequent year.

Agreements for relief from double taxation of income.

- 5. (1) The Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, declare that arrangements 10 specified in the Order, being arrangements that have been made with the Government of any territory outside New Zealand with a view to affording relief from double taxation in relation to income-tax, social security charge, and national security tax, or any of those 15 taxes, and any taxes of a similar character imposed by the laws of that territory, shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act or any other enactment, have effect in relation to income-tax, social security charge, and national security tax, or any of 20 those taxes, as the case may be; and every such Order in Council shall, subject to the provisions of this section, have effect according to its tenor.
- (2) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing provisions, it is hereby declared that any arrangements 25 to which effect is given under this section may contain provision, in relation to any of those taxes.—

(a) For relief from tax:

- (b) For charging the income derived from any sources in New Zealand to persons not 30 resident in New Zealand:
- (c) For determining the income to be attributed to persons not resident in New Zealand and their agencies, branches, or establishments in New Zealand:

(d) For determining the income to be attributed to persons resident in New Zealand who have special relationships with persons not so resident.

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(3) Any such arrangements may include provision 40 for relief from tax for periods before the passing of this Act or before the making of the arrangements, and provisions as to income which is not itself subject to double taxation.

(4) Any Order in Council under this section may be at any time amended or revoked by a subsequent Order in Council; and any such amending or revoking Order in Council may contain such transitional 5 provisions as appear to the Governor-General to be

necessary or expedient.

(5) Where any arrangements have effect under this section, the obligation as to secrecy imposed by any enactment, and in particular by section six of the 10 principal Act, shall not prevent the Commissioner or any authorized officer of the Land and Income Tax Department from disclosing to any authorized officer of the Government with which the arrangements are made such information as is required to be disclosed 15 under the arrangements.

(6) Without limiting the power to make regulations conferred on the Governor-General by section one hundred and seventy-two of the principal Act, it is hereby declared that all such regulations may be made 20 under that section as are desirable or necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this section

or any arrangements having effect thereunder.

6. (1) In any case where the Commissioner is satis- Refunds of tax fied that income-tax, social security charge, or any paid by non-25 other tax has been paid in respect of any income which traders and is exempt from taxation by virtue of any Order in other persons Council under section eleven of the Land and Income exempted by Tax Amendment Act, 1935, or under section five of this Council. Act (whether made before or after the passing of this 1935, No. 32 30 Act), being income derived before the date of the Order in Council, the Commissioner, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section eight of the Land and Income 1944, No. 28 Tax Amendment Act, 1944, or in Regulation 19A of the Serial numbers Social Security Contribution Regulations 1939, may 35 refund the amount of the tax or charge so paid if written application therefor is made by or on behalf of the taxpayer at any time within four years after the date of the Order in Council.

(2) Section fifteen of the Finance Act (No. 2), 1942, Repeal.

40 is hereby repealed.

1939/13 and 1945/85

1942, No. 14

Abolition of excess profits tax.

1940, No. 22

- 7. (1) The Excess Profits Tax Act, 1940, is hereby repealed.
- (2) The enactments specified in the Schedule to this Act are hereby consequentially amended in the manner indicated in that Schedule.
- (3) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and shall not apply with respect to the tax for any year of assessment before that date.

Schedule

### SCHEDULE

## CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

Title of Act.	Number of Section affected.	Nature of Amendment.
1939, No. 34— The Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1939	Section 23 (1)(f), as set ou in section 5 (1) of the Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1941	profits tax" where they first occur; by omitting from the
		of the excess profits tax (if any) payable by that company
		in respect of income derived by it during that year", and sub- stituting the words "of the taxable income of the pro-
	Section 23 (3) (c), as	prietary company for that in-
$\label{eq:continuous} \mathcal{L}_{ij} = \mathcal{L}_{ij} + \mathcal{L}_{ij}$	amended by section 5 (3) (b) of the Land and Income Tax Amend-	eluding excess profits tax) ".
1941, No. 18—	ment Act, 1941	And the second of the second of the second
The Land and Income Tax Amendment Act, 1941	Section 3 (2)	By omitting the words "excess profits tax".
	Section 3 (5) Section 5 (2)	By repealing this subsection.
1942, No. 2— The Finance Act, 1942	Section 4	By repealing this subsection.  By repealing this section.

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