Law Practitioners Acts Amendment.

ANALYSIS.

Title. Preamble. 1. Short Title.

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2. Hearing to be adjourned for forty-five days. 3. Forty days' notice to be given by petitioner.

4. Previous petition no bar.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Law Practitioners Act Title. Amendment Act. 1871."

**HEREAS "The Law Practitioners Act Amendment Act, 1871," Preamble. contains no provision whereby persons objecting to the admission of persons applying to be admitted thereunder are required to give notice of the grounds upon which they intend to object to the prayer of any such petition: And whereas it is expedient that the law should in that respect be amended:

BE IT THEREFORE 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 shall be "The Law Practitioners Short Title. Acts Amendment Act, 1876."

2. Notwithstanding anything in section eight of the said Act, the Hearing to be period for which the further hearing of any petition shall be adjourned for forty-shall be forty five days. shall be forty-five days, and the said section shall read as if the words 15 "forty-five days" were inserted therein, instead of the words "one calendar month."

3. Notwithstanding anything in section nine of the said Act, the Forty days' notice petitioner shall cause at least forty days' notice to be given, instead of petitioner. thirty days, as in the said section is provided, and the words "thirty 20 days" in the said section shall be read as if the words "forty days were inserted therein, instead of the words "thirty days."

4. No person shall be prevented from again applying to be re- Previous petition no admitted, as provided for by the said Act and this Act, on account only of his having made an application previously to the passing of 25 this Act; and any Judge shall have power, upon an ex parte application, at any time to allow any person, the prayer of whose petition shall have been refused, to again petition the Supreme Court, upon sufficient grounds disclosed in affidavits filed by the petitioner.

By Authority. George Didsbury, Government Printer, Wellington.

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