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,

18th November, 1947.

Hon. Mr. McLagan

MINIMUM WAGE AMENDMENT

ANALYSIS

2. Increasing minimum wages for 1. Short Title and commencement.

A BILL INTITULED

Title. An Acr to amend the Minimum Wage Act, 1945. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority 5 of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Minimum Wage Short Title Amendment Act, 1947, and shall be read together with and commencement. and deemed part of the Minimum Wage Act, 1945 1945, No. 44 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

10 (2) This Act shall come into force on the first day of December, nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

2. Section two of the principal Act is hereby Increasing amended by repealing subsections two and three, and minimum substituting the following subsections:-

wages for workers.

"(2) For male workers the minimum rates of wages shall be the following:

"(a) If paid by the hour or by piecework, three shillings an hour or an amount equivalent thereto having regard to the rate of production of the worker:

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"(b) If paid by the day, one pound four shillings a day:

"(c) In all other cases, five pounds fifteen shillings a week.

"(3) For female workers the minimum rates of 5 wages shall be the following:—

"(a) If paid by the hour or by piecework, one shilling and elevenpence an hour or an amount equivalent thereto having regard to the rate of production of the worker:

"(b) If paid by the day, fifteen shillings and fourpence a day:

"(c) In all other cases, three pounds thirteen shillings a week."