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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT relating to Duties of Excise on certain Manufactured Goods.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand 5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :--

1. This Act may be cited as the New Protection Act, 1914, and Short Title. shall form part of and be read together with the Customs Duties Act, 1908, and the Customs Law Act, 1908, and all amendments of the 10 same.

2. Duties of excise shall, on and from the first day of January, Excise duties nineteen hundred and *fifteen*, be imposed on all the classes of goods imposed on locally specified in the Schedule to the Customs Duties Act, 1908, which goods. are being manufactured and sold within the Dominion, at the rates 15 specified in the said Schedule:

Provided that a rebate to the extent of the amount of the Customs duties already paid on the importation of goods or material used in connection with the said manufactured goods shall be made in every case.

- 3. This Act shall not apply to goods manufactured by any Act not to apply if person in any part of the Dominion under conditions, as to the conditions of labour fair and reasonable. 20 remuneration of labour, which-
 - (a.) Are declared by resolution of both Houses of Parliament to be fair and reasonable; or
 - (b.) Are in accordance with the terms of an industrial agreement or award filed under the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, or any amendments thereof; or
 - (c.) Are, on an application made for the purpose to the President of the Arbitration Court, declared to be fair and reasonable by him or by a Judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, or any person or persons who compose a Dominion industrial authority (hereafter to be established) to whom he may refer the matter.

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Authorities to fix fair and reasonable prices. 4. Notwithstanding section *three* hereof, this Act shall apply to all goods manufactured and sold by any person in any part of the Dominion of New Zealand if the same are not obtainable by the public at fair and reasonable prices, having regard to the price of labour in New Zealand as compared with the price of labour in the country where the said imported goods were manufactured.

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5. The authorities referred to in paragraph (c) of section three hereof, or one of them, shall in all cases of dispute and, on application being made in a summary manner, from time to time fix and establish, and when necessary vary, the fair and reasonable prices to 10 be paid in terms of the *last preceding* section.

By Authority : JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.-1914.