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

House of Representatives,

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Right Hon. Mr. Massey.

NATIONAL REGISTRATION.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

- An Act to provide for the Compilation of a National Register of Time. Men between the Ages of Seventeen and Sixty Years, and for the Compilation of Statistics as to other Persons.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-
 - 1. This Act may be cited as the National Registration Act, 1915. Short Title.

National Register of Men.

2. (1.) The Governor may from time to time, by Proclamation, Governor may 10 require the male residents of New Zealand between the ages of require men between seventeen seventeen and sixty years to furnish to the Government Statistician and sixty years of at Wellington, within such time as may be specified in the particulars for Proclamation, particulars in the prescribed form as to the matters National Register. 15 hereinafter specified in section four hereof.

- (2.) Any such Proclamation may relate generally to all men between the ages of seventeen and sixty years, or may relate specially to any class or classes of men between those ages. For the purposes of this section men may be classified with reference to 20 age, or locality of residence, or occupation, or as to the number and
- condition of dependants, or in any other manner that may be deemed expedient.
- (3.) Any person to whom any such Proclamation relates who wilfully fails to furnish particulars as required by such Proclamation, 25 or who wilfully makes any false statement with respect to any such

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particulars, shall be liable on summary conviction before a Stipendiary Magistrate to a fine not less than five pounds and not exceeding one hundred pounds, or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months.

Compilation of National Register of Men.

Maintenance of secrecy as to contents of Register. 3. (1.) The Government Statistician shall, as soon as practicable, compile a National Register of Men, in such form as may be prescribed, from the particulars furnished to him under this Act.

(2.) Every officer employed for the purpose of assisting, either directly or indirectly, in the compilation of the Register under this Act or in the collection of the returns from which the Register is 10 to be compiled shall maintain and aid in maintaining the secrecy of all matters which come to his knowledge by reason of his employment, and shall not communicate any such matters to any person except for the purposes of this Act.

(3.) If any person, without lawful justification or excuse, 15 divulges or makes use of any information acquired by him from the National Register of Men or from the returns from which the said Register is compiled, he shall be liable on summary conviction to

a fine of one hundred pounds.

Particulars to be furnished for purposes of National Register. 4. A Proclamation under section two of this Act may require 20 particulars to be furnished by every male resident of New Zealand to whom it applies, with respect to all or any of the following matters, namely:—

(a.) His name in full, and usual address;

(b.) His age, date, and place of birth, and the place of birth 25 of his parents;

(c.) His nationality and country of allegiance;

(d.) If a British subject, whether a British subject by birth or by naturalization; if by naturalization, the date on which and the place in which letters of naturalization were 30 issued;

(e.) Whether single, married, or widower;

(f.) The number of dependants (if any); the name, age, address, and occupation (if any) of each dependant; the extent of dependency; the names of any other persons contributing seither in cash or kind towards the maintenance of any dependant and the estimated annual value of such contribution; any other sources of income of the dependant, and the annual amount or value of the benefit derived therefrom;

(g.) His present occupation, with a statement whether he is (i) an employer of labour; or (ii) working on his own account but not employing labour; or (iii) in receipt of salary or wages; or (iv) unemployed for more than one week (with period of unemployment); former occupations (if any) 45

with approximate periods;

(h.) If employed, the name of his employer, and the place and nature of the employer's business;

(i.) His physical condition, including a statement as to (i) sight;
(ii) hearing; (iii) height; (iv) weight; (v) physical in- 50 firmities; and (vi) general health;

(j.) His military experience, if any, stating periods and nature

of service, with rank or successive ranks;

(k.) In the case of every man between the ages of nineteen and forty-five years—

(i.) Whether he has volunteered for military service beyond New Zealand as a member of an Expeditionary Force in connection with the present war; if so, whether he has been accepted for service or rejected;

(ii.) If he has not volunteered for service, whether he is willing to become a member of an Expeditionary Force; if so, in what arm of the service he is prepared to serve;

(iii.) If he has not volunteered for service or is not prepared to volunteer for service, whether he is willing to serve in any other capacity in connection with the present war; if there are any circumstances or reasons that prevent him from offering his services as aforesaid, such circumstances or reasons; and

(1.) Such other matters as may from time to time be prescribed.

Statistics as to other Persons.

5. (1.) The Governor may from time to time by Proclamation Compilation of require persons resident in New Zealand, not being men to whom statistics as to other persons. 20 the foregoing provisions of this Act relate, to furnish to the Government Statistician particulars as to such matters as may be specified in the Proclamation or as may be prescribed by regulations under this Act.

(2.) Any person to whom a Proclamation under this section relates who wilfully fails to furnish particulars as required by such 25 Proclamation, or who wilfully makes any false statement with respect to any such particulars, shall be liable on summary conviction before a Stipendiary Magistrate to a fine not less than five pounds and not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months.

(3.) The provisions of subsections two and three of section three 30 of this Act, relating to the maintenance of secrecy with respect to matters contained in the National Register of Men, shall apply with the necessary modifications to particulars furnished to the Govern-

ment Statistician pursuant to this section.

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Regulations.

6. The Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council Regulations. gazetted, make regulations for any or all of the following purposes, namely:-

(a.) Prescribing the form in which particulars are to be furnished by persons to whom a Proclamation under section two or section five hereof may relate;

(b.) Prescribing the method of the distribution of such forms, and the transmission of the completed forms to the Government Statistician;

(c.) Prescribing the form of the National Register of Men to be compiled pursuant to this Act; and

(d.) Prescribing such other matters as may be necessary for the purpose of giving effect to this Act.