## NEW ZEALAND SOCIETY OF ACCOUNTANTS AMENDMENT BILL

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill amends the New Zealand Society of Accountants Act 1958.

Clause 1 relates to the Short Title to the Bill and the date of its commencement. It is to come into force on 1 July 1969.

Clause 2 amends section 2 of the principal Act by inserting definitions of the terms "certificate of public practice", "chartered accountant", and "chartered accountant in public practice". The definitions of the existing terms "public accountant" and "registered accountant" are repealed.

Clause 3 amends the principal Act so as to enable provision to be made by the rules of the Society for the establishment of a division or divisions of members of the Society, and the prescribing of designations and designatory letters for members thereof.

Clause 4 makes provision for the making of rules defining the conditions under which certificates of public practice may be issued.

Clause 5 amends section 14 (1) of the principal Act so as to permit persons who are less than 21 years of age to be registered as provisional members of the Society. The clause also repeals section 14 (2) of the principal Act which places restrictions on the classification of members of the Society who are on the overseas list, and consequentially amends section 16.

Clause 6: Section 20 of the principal Act provides for the removal of the names of members and provisional members from the register if their fees remain unpaid, and for the automatic restoration of the names of persons if their fees are brought up to date. The clause modifies the provision for restoration so as to give the Council a discretion to take into account the factors that have to be considered in connection with initial registrations before it restores a name to the register.

Clause 7 enables the Council to suspend from practice any person who is a member or provisional member of the Society or the holder of a licence or certificate issued under section 32A or section 34 of the principal Act, if the Council is satisfied that the person is (owing to mental or physical disability) unable to perform his professional duties satisfactorily, and that, because he may attempt to perform those duties, it is necessary in the public interest to prevent him from so doing. Before the Council exercises this power it must give

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the person concerned a reasonable opportunity to submit to medical examination and to be heard. Suspension may be revoked by the Council at any time, and a right of appeal to the Supreme Court is given against refusal or failure to revoke. See section 14 of the Medical Practitioners Amendment Act 1962.

Clause 8 provides that, except as expressly provided in the principal Act and in the rules of the Society, the Disciplinary Committee may regulate its procedure as it thinks fit.

Clause 9 extends section 32 of the principal Act so as to protect the descriptions "chartered accountant", "chartered accountant in public practice", and "cost and management accountant" and the initials "C.M.A.", "A.C.A.", and "F.C.A." (cost and management accountant, associate chartered accountant, and fellow chartered accountant). The clause also increases to \$400 the maximum penalty payable by a corporate body which infringes the section.

Clause 10: Under section 32A of the principal Act, as inserted by section 28 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963, the only penalty which may be imposed on the holder of a licence under section 32A is the withdrawal of the licence. This penalty may be unduly severe in some circumstances, and the clause brings section 32A into line with section 24 (3) of the principal Act and enables the imposition of all or any of the following additional penalties, namely, suspension of the licence for a term not exceeding 5 years, a monetary penalty not exceeding \$200, censure, and costs. Provision is also made for the withdrawal of a licence in the event of retirement, and for the inclusion in section 32A of provisions on the lines of those in subsections (4), (7), (8), and (9) of the present section 24.

#### Appointment of Agent to Conduct Practice

Clauses 11 to 16 are adapted from Part II of the Law Practitioners Amendment Act 1961, and make provision for the appointment of an agent to conduct the practice of a chartered accountant in public practice without partners in the event of his incapacity or absence from New Zealand or death.

Clause 16 authorises a chartered accountant in public practice without partners to give such a power of attorney and defines the periods for which it may be given. A manager under the Mental Health Act 1968 or the Aged and Infirm Persons Protection Act 1911 may suspend the powers of the donee of such a power of attorney.

Clause 12 makes provision for the appointment of such an agent by the manager or administrator of the estate of a chartered accountant in public practice in the event of his becoming mentally disordered or dying.

Clause 13 prescribes conditions affecting donees of powers of attorney.

Clause 14 makes provision for the termination of such agencies.

Clause 15 declares that such an agent may be authorised to appoint a substitute.

Clause 16 makes provision for the payment of fees, contributions to the Fidelity Fund, etc., where a practice is being carried on by an agent.

#### Chartered Accountants

Clause 17: Members of the New Zealand Society of Accountants are in future to be known as chartered accountants. The clause amends the legislation to give recognition to this change of description.

Clause 18 is consequential on the adoption of the description "chartered accountant", and specifies the extent to which the Fidelity Fund provisions in Part I of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 shall apply to chartered accountants.

Clause 19 is consequential on the adoption of the description "chartered accountant", and specifies the circumstances in which chartered accountants are liable to pay fees to the Fidelity Fund.

Clause 20 is consequential on the adoption of the designation "chartered accountant", and specifies the cases in which losses suffered may be recouped out of the Fidelity Fund.

## Hon. Mr Muldoon

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## A BILL INTITULED

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## An Act to amend the New Zealand Society of Accountants Act 1958

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

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(2) This Act shall come into force on the first day of July, nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

**2. Interpretation**—(1) Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in their appropriate alphabetical order the following definitions:

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" 'Certificate of public practice' means a certificate issued by the Council in accordance with the rules of the Society authorising the person named in the certificate (being a person ordinarily resident within New Zealand) to offer his services as an accountant to the 15 public within New Zealand:

- "'Chartered accountant' means a person who is for the time being a member of the Society:
- "'Chartered accountant in public practice' means a chartered accountant who is for the time being the 20 holder of a certificate of public practice:".

(2) Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing the definitions of the terms "public accountant" and "registered accountant".

**3. Post-qualification divisions**—(1) Subsection (2) of sec- 25 tion 12 of the principal Act is hereby amended—

- (a) By inserting in paragraph (b), after the word "Society", the words "and any division thereof":
- (b) By omitting from paragraph (h) the word "thereof", and substituting the words "of the Society and 30 divisions thereof":
- (c) By inserting in paragraph (j), after the word "Society", the words "and divisions thereof".

(2) Section 12 of the principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing paragraph (k) of subsection (2), and 35 substituting the following paragraph:

> \*1958, No. 42 Amendment: 1963, No. 139

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"(k) The establishment of a division or divisions of members of the Society with particular qualifications or interests in any branch of the profession, and the prescribing of designations and designatory letters for members thereof:".

4. Rules governing certificates of public practice—Section 12 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in subsection (2), after paragraph (j), the following paragraph:

10 "(jj) The defining of conditions under which certificates of public practice may be issued:".

5. Qualifications for membership of Society—(1)) Section 14 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection (1), and substituting the following subsection:

- 15 "(1) No person shall be registered by the Council as a member of the Society if he is less than twenty-one years of age; and no person shall be registered by the Council as a member or provisional member of the Society if, in the opinion of the Council, he is not of good character or reputation or is engaged
- 20 in any business or occupation inconsistent with the integrity of a member of the Society."

(2) Section 14 of the principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing subsection (2).

(3) Subsection (2) of section 16 of the principal Act is 25 hereby further amended—

- (a) By omitting the words "Subject to subsection two of section fourteen of this Act":
- (b) By omitting the word "registered".

6. Readmission after being struck off for non-payment of 30 fees—Subsection (4) of section 20 of the principal Act is hereby amended—

- (a) By omitting the words "pay to the Council", and substituting the words "upon payment to the Council of":
- (b) By omitting the words "shall thereupon be entitled to have his name restored to the register", and substituting the words "the Council shall restore his name to the register if it is satisfied that he is still qualified to be registered as a member or provisional member of the Society, as the case may be".

7. Suspension from practice because of disability—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 20, the following section:

"20A. (1) If it appears to the Council that any person, being a member or provisional member of the Society or the 5 holder of a licence or certificate issued under section 32A or section 34 of this Act, is (owing to mental or physical disability) unable to perform his professional duties satisfactorily. and that, because he may attempt to perform those duties, it is necessary in the public interest to prevent him from so doing, 10 the Council may, by notice in writing under the hand of the President or Vice-President of the Society or of the Secretary to the Society served upon that person, require that person to submit himself for examination at the expense of the Society by a registered medical practitioner specified in the notice (in 15) accordance with an arrangement between the Council and that medical practitioner) within such reasonable time (being not less than seven days) as may be specified in the notice.

"(2) Where a registered medical practitioner makes an examination of any person pursuant to <u>subsection (1)</u> of this 20 section, he shall as soon as practicable thereafter make a report in writing to the Secretary to the Society as to the mental and physical condition of the person examined so far as it affects the capacity of that person to perform his professional duties satisfactorily. 25

"(3) In any case where a notice in writing has been served upon any person under <u>subsection (1)</u> of this section, the Council may, upon the expiration of the time specified in the notice or the earlier receipt by the Secretary to the Society of a written report in respect of the person from the registered 30 medical practitioner named in the notice, and after considering the report (if any) and all relevant circumstances, and after giving the person a reasonable opportunity to be heard, suspend the person's membership or provisional membership of the Society or the licence or certificate issued to him under 35 section 32A or section 34 of this Act, as the case may be, if it is satisfied that the person is (owing to mental or physical disability) unable to perform his professional duties satisfactorily, and that, because he may attempt to perform those duties, it is necessary in the public interest to prevent him from so doing. 40

"(4) Any such suspension shall take effect forthwith upon its being made, but may at any time be revoked—

"(a) By the Council; or

"(b) By the Supreme Court either—

"(i) On an appeal by the person so suspended to that Court made within twenty-eight days after the date on which the Council has suspended that person or has last refused to revoke the suspension on an application made to it in that behalf by that person; or

"(ii) On an application by the person so suspended to that Court in any case where the person has applied in writing to the Secretary to the Society for the revocation of the suspension under <u>paragraph (a)</u> of this subsection and has not been advised of the decision of the Council in connection with his application within twenty-eight days after the date on which the application was delivered to the Secretary.

"(5) While any person is so suspended under this section, that person shall be deemed for the purposes of this Act, other than sections 22 to 29, not to be a member or provisional

20 member of the Society or the holder of a licence or certificate under section 32A or section 34 of this Act, as the case may be."

8. Disciplinary Committee—Section 24 of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:
25 "(11) Except as expressly provided in this Act and in the rules of the Society, the Disciplinary Committee may regulate its procedure as it thinks fit."

9. Improper use of terms implying membership of Society—(1) Subsection (1) of section 32 of the principal
30 Act (as amended by section 7 (1) of the Decimal Currency Act 1964) is hereby amended—

- (a) By inserting, after the word "conviction", the words "in the case of an individual":
- (b) By inserting, before the word "who", the words "and in
   the case of a body corporate to a fine not exceeding four hundred dollars":
  - (c) By omitting from paragraph (b) the words "public accountant or a registered accountant", and substituting the words "chartered accountant or a chartered accountant in public practice or a cost and management accountant".

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(2) Subsection (2) of section 32 of the principal Act is hereby amended—

(a) By inserting, after the word "initials" where it first appears, the expression "'C.M.A.' or 'A.C.A.' or 'F.C.A.'":

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- (b) By inserting, before the words "public accountant", the words "chartered accountant or":
- (c) By omitting the words "as a public accountant or a registered accountant", and substituting the words "as a chartered accountant".
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(3) Subsection (2A) of section 32 of the principal Act, as inserted by section 27 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963, is hereby amended by omitting the words "public accountant", and substituting the words "chartered accountant in public practice". 15

(4) Subsection (3) of section 32 of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words "public accountant or a registered accountant", and substituting the words "chartered accountant or a chartered accountant in public practice or a cost and management accountant". 20

10. Non-members practising accountancy under licence— (1) Section 32A of the principal Act, as inserted by section 28 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection (6) the words "withdraw a licence from any person", and substituting 25 the words "exercise in respect of any person who is the holder of a licence all or any of the disciplinary powers conferred on it by <u>subsection (6A)</u> of this section".

(2) The said section 32A of the principal Act is hereby further amended by inserting, after subsection (6), the 30 following subsections:

"(6A) The disciplinary powers which the Council or the Non-members Administration Committee may exercise as aforesaid in respect of any such person, if it thinks fit, shall be as follows:

- "(a) It may cause the licence held by the person to be cancelled:
- "(b) It may cause the licence held by the person to be suspended for a period not exceeding five years:
- "(c) It may impose on the person a penalty not exceeding 40 two hundred dollars:

"Provided that no such penalty may be imposed under this paragraph in respect of any act or omission which constitutes an offence for which the person has been convicted by any Court and which is punishable by imprisonment or fine:

"(d) It may censure the person:

- "(e) It may order the person to pay to the Society such sum as the Council or Committee thinks fit in respect of costs and expenses of and incidental to the inquiry.
- 10 "(6B) No person's licence shall be cancelled or suspended as aforesaid by reason of any offence committed before the date of the issue of the licence, if at that date the Council or Committee which issued the licence was aware of his conviction in respect of that offence.
- 15 "(6c) No decision of the Council or the Non-members Administration Committee exercising any of the disciplinary powers conferred on it by or under the foregoing provisions of this section shall take effect while the person to whom the decision relates remains entitled to appeal against the decision
- 20 in accordance with subsection (8) of this section or while any such appeal by him awaits determination by the Special Committee of Appeal:

"Provided that the Council or the Non-Members Administration Committee may order the interim suspension of the

25 person's licence until its decision takes effect or is superseded by a decision of the Special Committee of Appeal.

"(6D) In any case where the Council or the Non-members Administration Committee causes the licence held by any person to be cancelled, it may, as part of its decision, fix a time

30 after which the person whose licence is cancelled may apply for the reissue of a licence to him. If no such time is fixed, the Council may allow any such application to be made at such time as it thinks fit:

"Provided that any person aggrieved by the refusal of the 35 Committee to consider any such application in a case where no time has been fixed may apply to the Special Committee of Appeal to fix the time after which application for the reissue of the licence may be made.

(6E) At the time permitted in accordance with subsection
 (6D) of this section, the person may apply for the reissue of his licence, and all the provisions of this section as to the issue of a licence shall so far as they are applicable apply to the reissue of the licence.

"(6F) Every monetary penalty imposed, and all costs and45 expenses payable, under this section shall be recoverable as a debt due to the Council.

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"(6g) The Council may withdraw a licence issued under this section from any person, if the person has retired from practising in New Zealand as an accountant or auditor or under a similar designation under the licence."

(3) The said section 32A of the principal Act is hereby 5 further amended by omitting from subsection (8) the words "and whose licence has been withdrawn by the Council may appeal against the withdrawal", and substituting the words "and who is affected by any decision of the Council or the Nonmembers Administration Committee under <u>subsection (6A)</u> 10 of this section may, within twenty-eight days after the date of the decision, appeal against the decision".

### Appointment of Agent to Conduct Practice

11. Chartered accountant may appoint agent to conduct practice—(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in 15 the Property Law Act 1952 or any rule of law, any chartered accountant in public practice without partners may, while of sound mind, at any time and from time to time, with the prior written consent of every donee of the power of attorney hereinafter mentioned, give a power of attorney, in a form 20 approved by the Council, to any other chartered accountant in public practice, or to two or more of them jointly or severally, to conduct in the name of the donor of the power of attorney the practice and operate the account or accounts relating to the practice of that donor during such period or 25 periods as may be specified in the power of attorney, being all or any of the periods mentioned in subsection (2) of this section, and to exercise and perform during the period or periods so specified all or any of the powers and duties connected with the conduct of that practice in accordance with and subject to 30 the provisions of the principal Act and this Act and the rules of the Society.

(2) The period or periods for which a power of attorney may be given under subsection (1) of this section shall be:

- (a) Any current or future period or periods during which 35 the donor of the power of attorney is living but is wholly or partially incapacitated and unable by reason of his physical or mental condition to conduct his practice:
- (b) Any current or future period during which the donor 40 of the power of attorney is absent from New Zealand:

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(c) The period from the date of the death of the donor of the power of attorney until his administrator within the meaning of the Administration Act 1952 either lawfully disposes of the practice or revokes the power of attorney.

(3) The powers of the donee of any power of attorney given under this section shall terminate if the power of attorney is revoked by the donor thereof or is otherwise revoked under this Part of this Act, or if the donee of the power of attorney

- 10 is released under subsection (2) of section 14 of this Act, but shall not terminate by reason only of the death of the donor of the power of attorney or of his becoming of unsound mind.
  (4) While there is a manager under the Mental Health Act 1968 or the Aged and Infirm Persons Protection Act 1911
- 15 of the estate of the donor of any power of attorney given under this section, the powers of the donee of the power of attorney may at any time and from time to time be suspended by that manager, who may at any time revoke any such suspension.
  (5) The powers of the donee of any power of attorney given
- 20 under this section shall not be exercised after the expiration of one year from the date of the grant in New Zealand of administration in the estate of the donor of the power of attorney, except during such further period or periods as may be approved by the Council.
- 25 (6) Nothing in this Part of this Act shall prevent—
  - (a) The lawful disposal of the practice of the donor of any power of attorney given under this Act; or
  - (b) A chartered accountant granting any power of attorney otherwise than under this Part of this Act.
- 30 Cf. 1961, No. 49, s. 19

12. Appointment of chartered accountant to conduct practice of chartered accountant who is mentally disordered or dead—(1) In any case where there is a manager under the Mental Health Act 1968 or the Aged and Infirm Persons

- 35 Protection Act 1911 of the estate of a chartered accountant in public practice who is practising on his own account without partners, that manager may, subject to the provisions of this Act applicable to the chartered accountant so practising, give to any other chartered accountant in public practice or two
- 40 or more of them a power of attorney for the same purposes and for the same period or periods as the chartered accountant so practising could have done.

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(2) The administrator within the meaning of the Administration Act 1952 of the estate of a deceased chartered accountant in public practice who was practising on his own account without partners immediately before his death may, with the prior consent of the Council and subject to the provisions of this Act applicable to the chartered accountant so practising, give to any other chartered accountant in public practice or two or more of them a power of attorney for the same purposes as the chartered accountant so practising could have done and for the balance remaining of the period 10 specified in paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 11 of this Act.

(3) No power of attorney shall be given under this section in respect of the practice of any chartered accountant while any other power of attorney in respect of the practice of that 15 chartered accountant remains in force and has not been suspended.

(4) All the provisions of this Act shall apply to any power of attorney given under subsection (1) or subsection (2) of this section as if it were given by the chartered accountant to 20 whose practice the power of attorney relates.

Cf. 1961, No. 47, s. 20

13. Conditions affecting donce of a power of attorney— (1) No donee of a power of attorney given under any of the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Act in respect of the 25 practice of any chartered accountant shall commence to act under that power of attorney until—

- (a) That donee has produced that power of attorney for the inspection of the Secretary to the Society:
- (b) That donee has given a certified copy of that power of 30 attorney to the Secretary to the Society:
- (c) The Council, or a Committee of the Council to which the Council has delegated its powers under this paragraph, has resolved to permit that donee to act under the said power of attorney.

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(2) In every case where the donee of any power of attorney given under this Act becomes entitled under that power of attorney to operate any account of a deceased chartered accountant in public practice, if there is for the time being no administrator within the meaning of the Administration Act 40 1952 of the estate of that chartered accountant, that donee shall give notice to the Commissioner of Inland Revenue in the manner and within the time prescribed by section 45 of the Estate and Gift Duties Act 1968 of any payment made by him out of that account of any money that belonged to the deceased chartered accountant on the date of his death in his own right and was not subject to any trust.

Cf. 1961, No. 47, s. 21

- 5 14. Termination of agency—(1) Forthwith upon the revocation or suspension of a power of attorney which has been given in respect of the practice of a chartered accountant in public practice under this Act and produced to the Secretary to the Society under section 13 of this Act, or upon the donee
- 10 of such a power of attorney ceasing for any reason to act thereunder, written notice thereof shall be given to the Secretary to the Society by—
  - (a) The donor of the power of attorney if he is living and capable of doing so; and
- 15 (b) The donee of the power of attorney if he is living and capable of doing so; and
  - (c) Any other person who revokes or suspends the power of attorney.
  - (2) Where the donee of a power of attorney given in respect
- 20 of the practice of a chartered accountant under this Act ceases to act thereunder while he is living and capable of so acting, that donee shall continue to observe and comply with the requirements of the Council, and shall be personally responsible for the observance of the provisions of the principal Act
- 25 and this Act and all regulations made under the principal Act until the power of attorney is revoked or suspended or the donee of the power of attorney is released by resolution passed by the Council.
- (3) No such release shall be given by the Council until it30 is satisfied by such proof as it requires that it is proper in all the circumstances to do so.

(4) Any power of attorney given under this Act shall be revoked by operation of law upon the chartered accountant to whose practice the power of attorney relates commencing

35 to practice in partnership with any other chartered accountant or chartered accountants.

Cf. 1961, No. 47, s. 22

15. Agent may be authorised to appoint substitute—Any power of attorney given under this Act may contain provision
40 for the donee of that power of attorney to appoint a substitute; and all the provisions of this Act shall apply accordingly to a substitute appointed under such a provision as if he had been the donee appointed by the original power of attorney.

Cf. 1961, No. 47, s. 24

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16. Fees, etc.—Any donee acting under a power of attorney given under this Act shall pay all fees payable in accordance with the rules of the Society, all contributions and levies to the New Zealand Society of Accountants Fidelity Fund, and all other amounts for which the donor would have been liable 5 under this Act if he had continued to practice as a chartered accountant in public practice. While all such fees, contributions, levies, and amounts are being paid in respect of any such chartered accountant who has died, the provisions of the principal Act and this Act and the rules of the Society shall apply 10 in respect of that chartered accountant in public practice.

Cf. 1961, No. 47, s. 25

### Chartered Accountants

17. Members of Society to be known as chartered accountants—(1) The principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words "public accountant" in each place where they appear in subsection (2) of section 24 and in section 26, and substituting in each case the words "chartered accountant in public practice".

(2) The New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby amended by omitting the word "public" in each place where it appears before the word "accountant" or before the word "accountants" in sections 5, 11, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25, and substituting in each case the 25 word "chartered".

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this Act, and unless the context otherwise requires, every reference in any enactment or document to a public accountant or a registered accountant shall be read as a reference to a chartered 30 accountant.

18. Application of provisions relating to Fidelity Fund—(1) Section 3 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (a) of subsection (1), and substituting 35 the following paragraph:

(a) Every chartered accountant in public practice who is ordinarily resident within New Zealand:".

(2) Section 3 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby further amended by repealing 40 paragraph (d) of subsection (1).

(3) Section 3 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby further amended by repealing subsection (2), and substituting the following subsection:

- "(2) This Part of this Act shall not apply to chartered 5 accountants who are not for the time being holders of certificates of public practice, nor to holders of practising certificates issued under section 34 of the principal Act who are not actively engaged in the practice of the profession of accountancy."
- 10 (4) Subsection (3) of section 3 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby amended-
  - (a) By omitting the word "public" in each place where it appears before the word "accountants", and substituting in each case the word "chartered":
- (b) By omitting the words "registered accountants (other 15 than those registered by the Council as engaged to a substantial extent in accountancy work for remuneration otherwise than in the course of their normal salaried employment nor those public", and substi-20tuting the words "those chartered".

19. Prescribed fees to be paid into Fidelity Fund-(1) Section 10 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby amended by omitting from subsection (1) the word "public", and substituting the word "chartered".

(2) Section 10 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants 25 Amendment Act 1963 is hereby further amended by repealing subsection (2), and substituting the following subsection:

"(2) If any chartered accountant who is not the holder of a certificate of public practice commences to hold himself out as 30 offering his services to the public in such a manner as to render it necessary in terms of the rules of the Society for him to apply for a certificate of public practice, he shall, on making application for the issue to him of a certificate of public prac-

- tice or on being issued by the Council with such a certificate, 35 become liable to pay to the fund the amount of the prescribed fee for the purposes of this Part of this Act for the financial
- vear in which the certificate is issued: "Provided that every chartered accountant who applies for

or is issued as aforesaid with a certificate of public practice

40 and commences public practice in New Zealand in the second half of any financial year of the Society shall pay half the prescribed fee for the purposes of this Part of this Act for that financial year."

**20. Application of the fund**—Section 14 of the New Zealand Society of Accountants Amendment Act 1963 is hereby amended—

- (a) By omitting the words "public accountant" where they first appear, and substituting the words "chartered 5 accountant within the meaning of subsection (3) of section 3 of this Act":
  (b) By omitting the word "public" in the second place
- (b) By omitting the word "public" in the second place where it appears, and substituting the word "chartered": 10
- (c) By omitting the words "registered accountant", and substituting the words "chartered accountant to whom this Part of this Act does not apply".

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