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This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES for its concurrence.

Legislative Council,

7th October, 1915.

Hon. Sir Francis Bell.

NEW ZEALAND UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title.

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service, notwithstanding that conditions of Acts or regulations have not been wholly complied with.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the New Zealand University Act, 1908.

Title.

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 New Zealand University Amendment Act, 1915, and shall form part of and be read together with the New Zealand University Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the principal Act, or the Acts amending the same, and of the University statutes or of any regulations made thereunder, it shall be lawful for the Senate of the University of New Zealand, during the continuance of the present war and within a reasonable time after a state of war has ceased to exist, to confer and award degrees, diplomas, certificates of proficiency, scholarships, prizes, bursaries, and exhibitions, and to declare that students have passed in any section or sections, or subject or subjects, with or without having kept terms or complied with the statutes or regulations of the University of New Zealand or of any College affiliated to it upon such tests, certificates, or otherwise as the Senate may in its discretion from time to time deem sufficient:

Power for Senate to confer diplomas, &c., on students who have enlisted for military service, notwithstanding that conditions of Acts or of regulations have not been wholly complied with.

Provided that the powers conferred hereby shall only be exercised by the Senate in favour of students who have enlisted for service in the war and who prove to the satisfaction of the Senate—

(a.) That by reason of their enlistment they have been prevented from complying with all or any of the provisions of the said Acts, statutes, or regulations, or have been otherwise prejudicially affected in the course of their studies by such enlistment; and

(b.) That they have attained such a standard of proficiency that but for their enlistment they would have qualified to receive the degree, diploma, certificate of proficiency, scholarship, prize, bursary, exhibition, or pass that they wish the Senate to grant them.