

## NEW ZEALAND UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT BILL

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill amends the New Zealand University Act 1908, the main changes being consequential on the recognition of the constituent colleges at Christchurch, Auckland, and Wellington as Universities.

*Clause 1* relates to the Short Title.

*Clause 2* provides for the reconstitution of the University of New Zealand, which is to consist of the four constituent institutions following, that is to say:

- (a) The University of Otago;
- (b) The University of Canterbury;
- (c) The University of Auckland;
- (d) The Victoria University of Wellington.

The corporate identity of the University and its functions and powers are not changed.

*Clause 3* provides for consequential changes of certain references to constituent colleges, affiliated institutions, University colleges, and colleges.

*Clause 4* increases the number of University National Scholarships to forty, with a proviso that in 1957 the number shall be twenty-five, in 1958 the number shall be thirty, and in 1959 the number shall be thirty-five.

*Clause 5* authorises the Senate to confer the degree of Bachelor of Agriculture. It is contemplated that this will be a three-year degree with a stress on practical subjects. The Senate can already confer the degrees of Bachelor and Master of Agricultural Science, the last-mentioned Bachelor's degree being a four-year course without the same emphasis on the practical. These two types of Bachelors' degrees are granted in a number of overseas Universities, e.g., Sydney.

*Clause 6* provides for the New Zealand Post-primary Teachers Association (Registered) to appoint three members of the University Entrance Board to take the place of the two members at present appointed by the New Zealand Secondary Schools' Association (Incorporated) and the member appointed by the New Zealand Technical School Teachers' Association.

*Hon. Mr Algie*

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### A BILL INTITULED

#### An Act to amend the New Zealand University Act 1908

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

1. **Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the New Zealand University Amendment Act 1957, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the New Zealand University Act 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

10 2. **Reconstitution of University of New Zealand**—The University of New Zealand Amendment Act 1926 is hereby amended by repealing section three, and substituting the following section:

“3. (1) The University of New Zealand shall consist of  
15 the four constituent institutions following, that is to say:

“(a) The University of Otago established under the University of Otago Ordinance 1869:

“(b) The University of Canterbury constituted under the University of Canterbury Act 1933, and originally constituted by the Canterbury College Ordinance 1873:

“(c) The University of Auckland constituted under the University of Auckland Act 1954, and originally established under the Auckland University College Act 1882: 5

“(d) The Victoria University of Wellington constituted under the Victoria University of Wellington Act 1933, and originally established under the Victoria College Act 1897. 10

“(2) The corporate identity of the University shall not be affected by the passing of this section, but the University shall continue to be for all purposes the same University and shall have the same functions and powers as before the passing of this section.” 15

**3. Consequential changes of names—**(1) Wherever in the principal Act or in any other enactment or document whatsoever the words “constituent college” or the words “affiliated institution” are used to describe a constituent institution, the reference to a constituent college or affiliated institution shall, unless the context otherwise requires, hereafter be read as a reference to a constituent institution. 20

(2) In any case where the term “University college” is used to describe a constituent institution, unless the context otherwise requires,— 25

(a) If the reference to a University college appears in the principal Act or in any amendment thereof, the reference shall hereafter be read as a reference to a constituent institution: 30

(b) If the reference to a University college appears in any other enactment or document whatsoever, the reference shall hereafter be read as a reference to a University. 35

(3) Wherever in the principal Act or in any amendment thereof the one word “college” is used to describe a constituent college, or to describe both a constituent college and an agricultural college, the reference to a college shall, unless the context otherwise requires, hereafter be read as a reference to an institution. 40

(4) Section two of the University of New Zealand Amendment Act 1926 is hereby amended by repealing the definition of the term "constituent college", and substituting the following definition:

5 "Constituent institution" means one of the constituent institutions named in section three of this Act:

**4. University National Scholarships**—(1) Section thirteen of the New Zealand University Amendment Act 1914 is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (a), and substituting the following paragraph:

10 "(a) Scholarships, not exceeding forty in number, shall be awarded annually on the result of the Junior Scholarship Examination of the University, or in such other manner as the Senate, with the approval of the Minister of Education, may determine:

15 "Provided that the number of scholarships so awarded shall not exceed twenty-five in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, thirty in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, and thirty-five in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-nine."

20 (2) Paragraph (a) of subsection one of section four of the New Zealand University Amendment Act 1956 is hereby consequentially repealed.

**5. Power of Senate to confer additional degree**—Section 25 ten of the New Zealand University Amendment Act 1926 is hereby amended by inserting in subsection one, before the words "Bachelor and Master of Agricultural Science", the words "Bachelor of Agriculture".

**6. University Entrance Board**—Section twenty of the New 30 Zealand University Amendment Act 1926, as amended by section thirty-five of the Statutes Amendment Act 1948, is hereby further amended by repealing paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection three, and substituting the following paragraph:

35 "(d) Three members to be appointed by the New Zealand Post-primary Teachers' Association (Registered) :".