

[AS REPORTED FROM THE JUSTICE AND LAW REFORM  
COMMITTEE]

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*House of Representatives, 10 October 1989.*

**[Clauses 184 and 185 of this Bill were formerly clauses  
184 and 185 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous  
Provisions) Bill: 122-2]**

*Hon. W. P. Jeffries*

## STATUS OF CHILDREN AMENDMENT

### ANALYSIS

Title	184. Evidence and proof of paternity
1. Short Title	185. Repeal

### **An Act to amend the Status of Children Act 1969**

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

5 **1. Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Status of Children Amendment Act 1989, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Status of Children Act 1969 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

10 **184. Evidence and proof of paternity**—Section 8 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection (1) (as amended by section 2 of the Status of Children Amendment Act 1979), and substituting the following subsection:

15 “(1) If, pursuant to—  
“**(a)** Any provision of the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1951 or the corresponding provision of any former enactment; or  
“**(b)** Any provision of any law of any country to which section 44A of the Evidence Act 1908 applies,—  
the name of the father of the child to whom an entry relates has been entered (whether before or after the commencement

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of this Act) in the Register of Births, or, in the case of any country to which section 44A of the Evidence Act 1908 applies, in a register of that country relating to births, a certified copy of the entry made or given and purporting to be signed or sealed in accordance with that Act or that law shall be prima 5  
facie evidence that the person named as the father is the father of the child.”

**185. Repeal**—Section 2 of the Status of Children Amendment Act 1979 is hereby consequentially repealed.