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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to provide for certain Clerks and Others who were tem- Title. porarily employed in the Public Service (Clerical Division) on the Coming into Force of the Public Service Act, 1912.

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 Temporary Employees Act, short Title. 1920.

2. Section three of the Public Service Act, 1912, shall apply to Incorporation. this Act, unless the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires.

3. Every person qualified under the provisions of sections three Persons to whom and four of the Temporary Employees Act, 1913, and the regulations the Act applies.

15 now in force thereunder as to length of service, and who has been recommended to the Public Service Commissioner by the permanent head of a Department as a suitable person to be appointed a permanent officer of the Clerical Division of the Public Service, and who has been approved by the said Commissioner for that purpose,

20 but who has been ineligible for such appointment by reason of being over one of the ages prescribed by the said regulations or by reason of his not having at the date of the recommendation on his behalf the length of service prescribed by Regulation 1(e), gazetted on the sixteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen, but

25 who, when recommended, had the length of service prescribed by the amending regulation, gazetted on the sixth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and every person so qualified as aforesaid who may hereafter be recommended as aforesaid to the Public Service Commissioner by the permanent head of a

Department, who under the said regulations was or would be ineligible for appointment by reason of his age, shall in either case, as from the date of the said recommendation on his behalf, become and henceforth be a permanent officer of the said Division in all respects save that (any statute to the contrary notwithstanding) he shall not be entitled to any pension for length of service, shall not be called upon to pay contribution towards superannuation, and shall not be compellable to retire on attaining the age of sixty-five years so long as his normal state of health is satisfactory.

Grading for pay.

4. Save as provided in paragraph (a) of section five hereof, every 10 such person shall from the dates hereinafter mentioned be graded for pay as of Class VI, First Subdivision, of the Third Schedule in the Supplement to the Gazette of the third day of July, nineteen hundred and nineteen, or such higher pay as he may be then receiving, and shall be entitled to annual increments and to 15 promotion as if he had been appointed a permanent officer by virtue of the provisions of the Public Service Classification and Superannuation Act, 1907, as varied by section three hereof.

Date on which such pay commences.

5. Such grading for pay shall take effect as follows:—

(a.) Where the person has already been recommended by the 20 permanent head of a Department in terms of the regulations made under the Temporary Employees Act, 1913, and has been approved by the Public Service Commissioner but has not been made a permanent officer as aforesaid for either or both of the reasons set out 25 in section three hereof, then the date of his said grading shall be the date of such recommendation; and from such date until the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and nineteen, such grading shall be of Class VII of the Third Schedule to the Public Service 30 Act, 1912, commencing with the Fifth Subdivision thereof, and such grading shall carry with it full annual increments of the subsequent subdivisions of Class VII for the period between the date of such recommendation and the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and 35 nineteen; and from and after the first day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen, such grading shall be of Class V, First Subdivision, in the said Third Schedule of the said Supplement to the Gazette of the third day of July, nineteen hundred and nineteen, and shall carry the 40 like annual increments of the said Class V; and he shall receive forthwith the cash difference between the pay he was receiving (exclusive of war bonus) at the passing of this Act and the higher rates which he would have been receiving from time to time during the periods aforesaid 45 if he had been made a permanent officer at the date of the recommendation on his behalf.

(b.) Where the person has not been recommended and approved in terms of paragraph (a) hereof, then his grading for pay under the provisions of this Act shall take effect as 50 from the date of any recommendation hereafter to be made in his favour by the permanent head of a Depart-

ment.

6. The Public Service Commissioner shall within twenty-one Appointment and days next after the passing of this Act notify by registered letter payment under paragraph (a) of addressed and posted to each of the persons whom he has appointed section 5. to be permanent officers of the Public Service (Clerical Division) 5 by virtue of sections three and four and paragraph (a) of section five hereof, and shall forthwith, after such notification, pay to each of such persons the amounts respectively due to them under paragraph (a) of section five hereof.

7. Any person claiming to be made a permanent officer and to Appeal. 10 be notified and paid as last aforesaid, and any person claiming pay in excess of the amount or amounts so paid to him as aforesaid, and any person claiming to be made a permanent officer by virtue of sections three, four, and paragraph (b) of section five hereof, shall be entitled to appeal to the Public Service Appeal Board in 15 respect of such claim in the same manner in all respects as if he

were a permanent member of the Public Service.

8. No break in continuous service either between the fifth Break in service. day of November, nineteen hundred and nineteen, and the date of the passing of this Act or between the date of the passing of this 20 Act and the appointment or omission or refusal to appoint by the Public Service Commissioner to be a permanent officer of the Public Service under sections three, four, and five hereof of any person claiming to be entitled to be so appointed shall, until his claim has been finally adjudicated, constitute broken service so as 25 to debar him from obtaining the rights claimed by him under this Act.

9. Persons now employed or hereafter to be employed in the Persons partly service of either branch of the Legislature and otherwise qualified employed in the Legislative within the meaning of the Temporary Employees Act, 1913, and of Department. 30 this Act, shall be entitled to retain and renew such employment, which shall count as continuous service for the purpose of annual increment under the Public Service Act, 1912, or any amendment thereof, or under this Act; but such persons shall not be entitled to receive pay under section five hereof from any Department regulated 35 by the said Public Service Act, 1912, whilst so employed in either branch of the Legislature. They shall give at least four days written notice (such period not to include a Sunday) to the Secretary to the Public Service Commissioner of their intention to report themselves to him for duty in a Department so regulated, and they shall receive 40 full pay from the Department so regulated as aforesaid from the date on which they actually report themselves for duty to the said Secretary or to some Department by his direction. Until they receive the direction last mentioned they shall be paid by the Department of Internal Affairs as from the date of so reporting to the said 45 Secretary.