

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

House of Representatives,
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Hon. Mr. Jones

WAR PENSIONS AMENDMENT

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the War Pensions Act, 1943.

Title.

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

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1945, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the War Pensions Act, 1943 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title and commencement.
1943, No. 22

10 (2) This Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-five.

War Veterans' Allowances

2. (1) Section sixty-two of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of subsection one, and substituting the following paragraphs:—

Increasing rates of war veterans' allowances.

1938, No. 7

“(a) In the case of a male veteran who has no wife, the allowance shall be at the rate of one hundred and four pounds a year, diminished by one pound for every complete pound of his annual income (exclusive of any allowance under this Part of this Act and of any family benefit under the Social Security Act, 1938) in excess of fifty-two pounds: 5

“(b) In the case of any other male veteran, the allowance shall be at the rate of the sum of the following amounts, namely:— 10

“(i) One hundred and four pounds a year in respect of the veteran’s personal claim; and 15

“(ii) One hundred and four pounds a year in respect of his wife— diminished in every case by one pound for every complete pound of the total annual income (exclusive of any allowance under this Part of this Act and of any family benefit) of the veteran and of his wife in excess of fifty-two pounds: 20

“(c) In the case of a female veteran who has no husband, the allowance shall be at the rate of one hundred and four pounds a year, diminished by one pound for every complete pound of her annual income (exclusive of any allowance under this Part of this Act and of any family benefit) in excess of fifty-two pounds: 25 30

“(d) In the case of any other female veteran, the allowance shall be at the rate of one hundred and four pounds a year, diminished by one pound for every complete pound of the total annual income (exclusive of any allowance under this Part of this Act and of any family benefit) of the veteran and of her husband in excess of one hundred and four pounds.” 35 40

Repeal.

(2) Subsection two of section sixty-two of the principal Act is hereby repealed.

3. (1) Section sixty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

Abolishing war veterans' allowances in respect of children.

- (a) By omitting from paragraph (b) of subsection one the words "or any child or children":
- 5 (b) By repealing the proviso to paragraph (b) of subsection one.

(2) Section sixty-three of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

- 10 (a) By omitting from subsection one the words "or paragraph (d)":
- (b) By omitting from subsection one the words "among the veteran and all or any of his dependants", and substituting the words "between the veteran and his wife".

15 (3) Section sixty-four of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

- (a) By omitting from subsection one the words "and of section thirty-three hereof"; and by inserting in the same subsection, after the words "section twenty-six hereof", the word "and":
- 20 (b) By omitting from subsection two the words "and no allowance shall be payable in respect of any child of the veteran for any period during which it is not maintained by him".

25 (4) Section sixty-eight of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

- (a) By omitting from subsection one the words "or a child or children":
- 30 (b) By inserting in subsection one, after the words "being paid under this Part", the words "or a child or children dependent on him":
- (c) By omitting from subsection one the word "dependants", and substituting the word
- 35 "wife".

General

Extending
power to
terminate
pensions.

4. Section seventy-five of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in subsection two, after the words "any period", the words "or, in the opinion of the Board, is of notoriously bad character or has been 5 guilty of gross misconduct dishonouring him in the public estimation".