

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

# Supplementary Order Paper

Thursday, the 15th Day of September 1977

**CITIZENS AND ALIENS BILL**

*Proposed Amendments*

Hon. Mr HICHER, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

*Title:* To omit the Title on page 2, and substitute the following Title:

**An Act to make better provision with respect to the status of New Zealand citizenship, and to consolidate and amend the British Nationality and New Zealand Citizenship Act 1948**

*Clause 1:* To omit from line 9 on page 2 the words "Citizens and Aliens", and substitute the word "Citizenship".

*Clause 2:* To omit from subclause (1) the definition of the term "registered alien" on page 3.

To omit from lines 15 and 16 on page 3 the words "country for the time being mentioned in the Second Schedule to this Act", and substituting the words "Commonwealth country".

*Clause 8 (2):* To insert on page 6, after paragraph (a), the following paragraph:

(aa) That the applicant is entitled, in terms of the Immigration Act 1964, to reside in New Zealand permanently:

*Clause 9:* To omit from lines 9 and 10 on page 7 the word "Notwithstanding", and substitute the words "Without limiting".

To omit from line 1 on page 8 the word "Notwithstanding", and substitute the words "Without limiting".

*Clause 9A:* To add to the clause on page 8 the words "otherwise than by descent".

*Part II:* To omit the Part (clause 22) on page 14.

*Part III:* To omit the Part (clauses 23 to 29) on pages 14 to 17.

*Clause 30:* To omit the clause on page 17.

*Clause 31, subclause (2)*: To omit from line 40 on page 17 the word “, municipal,”.

*Clause 31A (2)*: To omit the subclause on page 18.

*Clause 33*: To omit the clause on page 19.

*Clause 35 (2)*: To omit the subclause on page 20.

*Clause 36*: To omit from lines 18 and 19 on page 21 the words “country mentioned in the Second Schedule to this Act”, and substitute the words “Commonwealth country”.

To omit paragraphs (k) and (l) on page 22.

*Clause 37*: To omit from line 3 on page 23 the words “except Part III”.

To omit the words “, except Part III,” from line 6 on that page, and also from line 12 on that page, and also from line 17 on that page, and also from line 18 on that page, and also from line 20 on that page.

To omit from line 17 on that page, and also from line 18 on that page, the words “Citizens and Aliens”, and substitute in each case the word “Citizenship”.

*Second Schedule*: To omit the Schedule on page 24.

*Third Schedule*: To omit the second, fourth, and sixth items on page 24.

To insert, after the 7th item on that page, the following item:

1970, No. 123—The Western Samoa Amendment Act 1970.

*Fourth Schedule*: To omit the first and second items on page 23.

To omit from the item relating to the Adoption Act 1955 on that page the words “Citizen and Aliens”, and substitute the word “Citizenship”.

To omit from the item relating to the Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities Act 1968 on that page the words “Citizens and Aliens”, and substitute the word “Citizenship”.

To omit the sixth and eighth items on that page.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

Most of the amendments proposed in this Paper are consequential upon the decision not to make provision in this Bill for the registration of aliens. The amendments necessary as a result of this decision are those to the Title, clause 2 (1), Part III, and clauses 31A (2), 33, 35 (2), 36 (k), (l), and 37.

The amendments to clause 2 (2), Part II, clauses 30 and 36 (f), and the Second Schedule are consequential upon the provisions of the Commonwealth Countries Bill presently before Parliament.

The amendment to clause 8 (2) requires every applicant for New Zealand citizenship under the clause to be entitled to reside permanently in New Zealand.

The amendments to clause 9 are of a minor drafting nature only.

The amendment to clause 9A provides that a person is only entitled to a grant of New Zealand citizenship under that clause if, at the time of his birth, his mother was a New Zealand citizen otherwise than by descent.

The amendment to clause 31 removes the word “municipal” which is considered, in the context, to be too narrow as it does not embrace other forms of local government elections.

The amendments to the Third and Fourth Schedules are consequential upon the above amendments.

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