

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Saturday, the 4th Day of February, 1922.

INDUSTRIAL CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. SAVAGE, in Committee, to move the following amendment:—

Clause 3: To omit all words after the word "Act" in line 15, and substitute the following words:—

is hereby amended by omitting subsection two, and substituting the following subsection:—

"(2.) For the purposes of the appointment of the nominated members of the Court the following provisions shall apply:—

"(a.) Not later than two months before the expiry of the term of office of the nominated members of the Court the Registrar shall, by public notice, appoint a day for the nomination of candidates for the following offices:—

"A nominated member of the Court to be appointed on the recommendation of unions of employers as aforesaid;

"An acting nominated member of the Court to be appointed on the like recommendation;

"A nominated member of the Court to be appointed on the recommendation of unions of workers as aforesaid; and

"An acting nominated member of the Court to be appointed on the like recommendation;

"(b.) No person shall be deemed to be a candidate unless he is nominated as follows: A nomination-paper in the prescribed form, signed by the president and secretary of the union by whom the candidate is nominated, and signed also by the candidate in token of his assent to the nomination, shall be delivered to the Registrar, or addressed to the Registrar and delivered at his office in Wellington, at any time after the publication of the said notice and before noon of the day appointed for nomination:

"Provided that where a candidate is nominated for the same office by more than one union it shall be sufficient if he signs one nomination-paper in token of his assent to be nominated;

"(c.) Every such nomination-paper shall contain a statement that the candidate is nominated pursuant to a resolution passed at a meeting of the union, and that notice of the intention to propose a candidate for nomination at that meeting was duly given;

- “(d.) If on the day appointed for nomination only one candidate is nominated for any office, the Registrar shall report to the Governor-General the name, address, and occupation of that candidate, and that candidate shall be appointed by the Governor-General for the office for which he was nominated;
- “(e.) If more than one candidate is nominated for any office, then a poll for deciding between those candidates shall be taken on or before a day to be fixed by the Registrar, being not sooner than fourteen days after the day appointed for nomination;
- “(f.) Every such poll shall be taken separately for each industrial union of employers or workers in the manner prescribed by regulations, and at such poll every member of the union shall have one vote;
- “(g.) The secretary or president of the union shall forward the ballot-papers unopened to the Registrar so as to reach him not later than ten days after the date of the poll;
- “(h.) The Registrar shall ascertain from all the ballot-papers so received the candidate for each office who received the greatest number of valid votes in the aggregate, and shall report to the Governor-General the name, address, and occupation of that candidate, and that candidate shall be appointed by the Governor-General for the office for which he was nominated:
- “(i.) The fact that any such poll was not taken by any union, or that any poll taken by any union was not in conformity with this Act or with regulations thereunder, shall not affect the election of any candidate, but in the latter case the Registrar may, if he thinks fit, refuse to take into account the votes recorded at such poll:
- “Provided that, unless within fourteen days after the day fixed for the taking of the poll written notice is received by the Registrar that a poll taken by any union is disputed, every such poll shall be deemed to have been in conformity with this Act and with the regulations thereunder relating to such polls.”
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