

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 15th Day of October, 1912.

LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.

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

Clause 27A, subclause (1): To insert, before the word "Officer" in line 7 and before the word "Officers" in line 10, the word "Settlement." To insert, after subclause (3), the following new subclauses:—

(3A.) Where any such Native owner is a person under disability as defined by section one hundred and seventy-one of the Native Land Act, 1909, the Native Land Court may on behalf of such person, upon the application of the Minister, by order confirm an appointment of agents made by the Native owners who are not persons under disability.

(3B.) The effect of such order shall be to constitute the agents to be the agents of the person under disability for all the purposes of this section, and the agents shall have the same powers in all respects to enter into an agreement with the Minister on behalf of such person as if such person had not been under any disability, and all conveyances, transfers, leases, and other documents executed by the agents under this section shall be as valid and effectual as if the whole legal and beneficial estate and interest of such person in the land were vested in the agents.

Subclause (6): To insert, before the word "Officer" in line 14, the word "Settlement." Subclause (7): To insert, before the word "Officer" in line 18, the word "Settlement." Subclause (8): To insert, before the word "Officer" in line 23 and again in line 24, the word "Settlement." Subclause (9): To insert, before the word "Officer" in line 30, the word "Settlement."

Clause 32, subclause (2): To add to this subclause the words—

"Provided that nothing in this section shall restrict the operation of subsection two of section fifty-one of the principal Act."

To add the following new clauses:—

Section 41 of
principal Act
amended.

3B. Section forty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting after subsection three the following subsection:—

"(3A.) No person who is for the time being carrying on business as a land agent, either by himself or jointly with any other person, shall be eligible to be appointed, or elected, or to continue to be a member of the Land Board."

Settlement of
land within a
kauri-gum
district.

11A. (1.) Notwithstanding anything in the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908, the Governor may set apart land in a kauri-gum district, being either a portion of a kauri-gum reserve or Crown land outside such reserve, in allotments not exceeding twenty-five acres in any one case for selection under this section.

(2.) Such allotments shall be disposed of by way of license to occupy with right of purchase in pursuance of Part III of the principal Act, or by way of license to occupy with an agreement to purchase on deferred payment in pursuance of regulations under this section.

(3.) A license to occupy with an agreement to purchase on deferred payment shall be for a term of fifteen years, and the purchase-money shall be paid by equal half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being payable on the commencement of the sixth year after the date of the license :

Provided that the licensee may, if he thinks fit, pay any part of the purchase-money before the due date of such first instalment.

(4.) No rent shall be payable under a license to occupy with right of purchase in respect of the first five years of the term of such license.

(5.) The allotments shall be selected only by British subjects who are holders of kauri-gum digging licenses, and no selector shall hold more than one allotment unless he is a married man or a widower and has children dependent on him, in which case he may select more than one allotment, subject to conditions to be prescribed by regulations.

(6.) The conditions relating to application, selection, transfer, residence, occupation, and permanent improvements of land to which this section* relates shall, subject to the provisions of this section and of regulations thereunder, be in accordance with Part III of the principal Act.

(7.) The Governor may from time to time make regulations fixing the terms and conditions on which such allotments may be applied for, disposed of, and occupied, subject to the foregoing provisions.

35. Section fifty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from subsection two the word "adjoining."

Section 51 of
principal Act
amended.