

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 13th Day of July, 1915.

WAR PENSIONS BILL.

AMENDMENTS proposed by His Excellency the Governor:—

Clause 2: To add the following subclause:—

(2.) For the purposes of this Act officers shall be deemed to become members of the Forces on the date of their first appointment thereto, and non-commissioned officers and men on the date of taking the oath of allegiance or of leaving New Zealand as members of the Forces, whichever first happens.

Clause 4: To omit subclause (6), and to insert it as subclause (3A) of clause 5.

Clause 5, subclause (1), paragraph (c): To omit the words "the amount of benefit in fact paid to them by the member," and substitute the words "the value of the benefit in fact received by them from the member."

Clause 5, subclause (2): To omit the word "pension" in line 10, and substitute the word "pensions."

Clause 5, subclause (2), paragraph (d): To omit the words "the amount of benefit in fact paid to them by the member," and substitute the words "the value of the benefit in fact received by them from the member."

Clause 5, subclause (3): To omit the word "pension" in line 26, and substitute the word "pensions."

Clause 5, subclause (4): To omit the subclause.

Clause 6, subclause (1): To add the following proviso:—

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to authorize the grant of pensions to dependants in excess of the rates authorized by paragraph (c) of subsection one, or paragraph (d) of subsection two, of section *five* hereof.

Clause 8: To omit from line 1 on page 4 the words "that pension," and substitute the words "a pension."

Clause 10: To omit the word "Minister" in line 27, and substitute the word "Board"; before the word "other" in line 28, to insert the words "because disablement had not become evident or for"; and to omit all words of subclause (1) after the words "prescribed time" in line 29.

Clause 11: To insert after the word "Except," in line 34, the words "in the case of the father or mother of a member of the Forces, or."

Clause 12: After the words "Imperial Act," in line 40, to insert the words "(not being a payment by way of retiring-allowance or superannuation in respect of which the member has contributed)."

Clause 18, subclause (1): To omit paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), and substitute the following paragraphs:—

- (a.) In the case of a Major, or of a naval Lieutenant of eight years' seniority, or of any officer of equivalent rank or of higher rank than a Major or such Lieutenant, fifty per centum of his rate of pay; or
- (b.) In the case of a military Captain, or of a naval Lieutenant of less than eight years' seniority, or other officer of equivalent rank, sixty per centum of his rate of pay; or
- (c.) In the case of a military Lieutenant or Second Lieutenant, or of a naval commissioned Warrant Officer or naval Sub-Lieutenant, or of any officer of equivalent rank, seventy-five per centum of his rate of pay.

Clause 21: To omit from paragraph (c) the words "under section nineteen hereof."

To insert the following paragraph:—

- (g.) The duties of local advisory committees.

To insert the following new clause:—

Local advisory committees.

20A. For the purpose of assisting in the investigation of claims for pensions made in different parts of New Zealand, and generally for the purposes of the administration of this Act, the Minister may set up such local advisory committees as he thinks fit.