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THE HOSPITAL BOARD (REVIEW COMMITTEE) REGULATIONS 1972

ARTHUR PORRITT, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 28th day of August 1972

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

Pursuant to the Hospitals Act 1957, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

- 1. Title—These regulations may be cited as the Hospital Board (Review Committee) Regulations 1972.
- 2. Interpretation—In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

"The Act" means the Hospitals Act 1957:

"Application" includes both a complaint to the Minister under section 51c of the Act and an appeal to the Minister under section 51p or section 51p of the Act; and "applicant" has a corresponding meaning:

"Committee" means the Review Committee constituted under section 51A of the Act.

- 3. Secretary of Committee—An officer of the Public Service employed in the Department of Health shall from time to time be appointed by the Director-General to be the secretary of the Committee, in addition to performing his other duties as such officer.
- 4. Pay and expenses—(1) Subject to subclauses (3) to (5) of this regulation, every person in the employment of a Hospital Board shall be granted leave of absence on pay to attend any meeting of the Committee if his presence at that meeting, whether as a member, party, advocate, witness, or in any other capacity, is reasonably required.

(2) Subject to subclauses (3) to (5) of this regulation, every applicant shall be paid, by the Hospital Board by which he is employed, actual and reasonable personal accommodation and travelling expenses incurred by him, in addition to his pay, for the purposes of his attendance at any such meeting.

(3) No payment shall be made pursuant to subclause (1) or subclause (2) of this regulation without the approval of the Committee.

(4) If the Committee is of the opinion that any application, in respect of which a question of payment under this regulation arises, was frivolous or vexatious, or that the attendance of a person to whom such payment is proposed to be made was unnecessary or unreasonable, the Committee shall not approve any payment to the applicant or his witnesses, or any payment to that person, as the case may require, but shall report the matter to the Minister, together with the recommendations of the Committee thereon; and the Minister may thereupon give such directions to the Hospital Board concerned, with regard to payment, part payment, or refusal of payment, as he sees fit and the Board shall comply with any such directions.

(5) In the case of an applicant whose application arises from his

(5) In the case of an applicant whose application arises from his dismissal by a Hospital Board, and who is not in the employment of the Hospital Board on the date of the material meeting of the Committee, subclauses (1) to (4) of this regulation shall apply in respect of the applicant, if he is reinstated in the employment of the Hospital Board pursuant to a recommendation of the Committee, as if he had been in the employment of the Board on the said date.

P. J. BROOKS,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations make provision for the appointment of a Secretary of the Review Committee and for the payment of pay and expenses to Hospital Board employees who are reasonably required to attend meetings of the Committee.

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