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# THE HOSPITAL BOARDS FINANCE REGULATIONS 1958, AMENDMENT NO. 2

### ARTHUR PORRITT, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 15th day of December 1969

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 Boards Finance Regulations 1958, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Hospital Boards Finance Regulations 1958\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

2. Estimates—(1) The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 4, and substituting the following regulation:

"4. The estimate shall be confirmed at a special meeting of the Board to be held in the month of April in the year to which the estimate relates, or, if the Board has not been advised before the first day of that month of the sum determined by the Minister in respect of that year under section 89 of the Act, within 6 weeks of the date on which it is so advised."

(2) The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 5, and substituting the following regulation:

"5. The estimate shall be sent to the Director-General for submission to the Minister within 7 days of the date on which it is so confirmed."

3. Duty of Board—Regulation 10 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words, "and it shall be illegal for the Board to expend any sum in excess of the amount so fixed."

> \*S.R. 1958/52 Amendment No. 1 : S.R. 1960/74

4. Irrecoverable debts—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 18, and substituting the following regulation:

"18. (1) The Treasurer, or such other officer of the Board as it directs, shall from time to time, as directed by the Board, but at least once within the period of 3 months immediately following the end of the financial year, make a return to the Board in such form as the Board directs of the amounts unpaid in respect of all money due to the Board.

"(2) On receipt of the return, the Board shall review all such amounts and after due and proper inquiry shall cause to be prepared a schedule in respect of the amounts which it considers to be irrecoverable. Those amounts shall forthwith, by resolution of the Board, be written off."

5. Revocations—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulations 14, 16, and 19.

## 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.

Regulation 2 rewrites in an amended form regulations 4 and 5 of the principal regulations. The amendment is necessary so as to make regulations conform to sections 88 and 89 of the Hospitals Act 1957 (as amended by sections 11 and 12 of the Hospitals Amendment Act 1968).

Regulation 3 amends regulation 10 of the principal regulations which requires a hospital board to limit its expenditure on receipt of a notice from the Minister of Health under regulation 9. The amendment is intended to make it clear that, if such a board exceeds the limit, the Audit Office is not bound to make a surcharge on board members.

Regulation 4 revises regulation 18 of the principal regulations so as to make

it conform with regulation 6 of the Municipal Accounting Regulations 1965. Regulation 5 revokes regulations 14, 16, and 19 of the principal regulations, which relate to the receipt and custody of money. These regulations are no longer considered to be necessary.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.