

New Zealand.

ANALYSIS.

Title.
1. Short Title.

2. Section 7 of the Destitute Persons Act, 1908, amended.

1908, No. 219.

Title.

AN ACT to amend the Destitute Persons Act, 1908.

[10th October, 1908.]

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Destitute Persons Act Amendment Act, 1908.

Section 7 of the
Destitute Persons
Act, 1908, amended.

2. Section seven of the Destitute Persons Act, 1908, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following subsections:—

“(4.) When any proceeding is taken under this section against any grandparent or any grandchild of a destitute person, such grandparent or grandchild may apply to the Court for a summons calling upon any near relative of the destitute person, other than a grandparent or grandchild, to answer the claim of such destitute person, and the hearing of such proceeding shall be postponed until such summons has been served.

“(5.) Upon such hearing a Magistrate shall not make an order against any grandparent or any grandchild of a destitute person if such grandparent or grandchild proves to the satisfaction of the Magistrate that any near relative resident in New Zealand served with such summons, other than a grandparent or grandchild, is able to maintain or sufficiently contribute to the maintenance of the destitute person, and does not so maintain him or contribute to his maintenance a sum adequate to the means of such near relative; and at any such hearing, upon such proof as aforesaid, such near relative shall be treated as the defendant, and an order made against him accordingly.”