



ANALYSIS

Title	2. Regulations as to homes for old people
1. Short Title	

1958, No. 68

An Act to amend the Health Act 1956

[2 October 1958]

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

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Health Amendment Act 1958, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Health Act 1956 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Regulations as to homes for old people—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section one hundred and twenty, the following section:

“120A. (1) Regulations made under this Act may provide for the registration, licensing, and control of homes within the meaning of subsection three of this section for aged persons.

“(2) Any such regulations may—

“(a) Prescribe minimum standards of accommodation and staffing to be provided in all such homes or in any class or classes of such homes:

“(b) Provide for the inspection of all such homes:

“(c) Prescribe licence fees to be payable by the proprietors of all such homes or any class or classes of such homes:

“(d) Prescribe conditions to govern, or that may be imposed in respect of, the grant and transfer of licences for such homes and the duties of licensees thereof:

“(e) Provide for the cancellation of such licences:

“(f) Exempt any such home or any class or classes of such homes from all or any of the provisions of the regulations.

“(3) In this section the term ‘home’ means any premises where two or more persons who have attained the age of sixty-five years and are not related by blood or marriage to the householder (whether or not they are in any way infirm) are or are to be in residence and paying for their lodging and for one or more meals a day, being any premises which are or purport to be mainly for aged or infirm persons, and not being a licensed private hospital, an institution under the control of the Department of Health or of a Hospital Board, a separate institution within the meaning of the Hospitals Act 1957, or an institution within the meaning of the Mental Health Act 1911.”

3. Medical examination of children in day nurseries—

Section one hundred and twenty-five of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following subsections:

“(3) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, the powers conferred by subsection one of this section may be exercised in respect of any day nursery and the children received in any day nursery.

“(4) In this section the term ‘day nursery’ means any premises which are or purport to be mainly for the care of children under the age of seven years by the day or for a part of a day, whether for reward or not.”