



ANALYSIS

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1. Short Title and commencement

2. Disclosure of immigration information
to Department of Social Welfare

1991, No. 134

An Act to amend the Immigration Act 1987

[18 December 1991

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

1. Short Title and commencement—(1) This Act may be cited as the Immigration Amendment Act (No. 2) 1991, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Immigration Act 1987.

(2) This Act shall come into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

2. Disclosure of immigration information to Department of Social Welfare—The Immigration Act 1987 is hereby amended by inserting, after section 141, the following section:

“141A. (1) In this section, unless the context otherwise requires, the term ‘benefit’ has the same meaning as in section 3 (1) of the Social Security Act 1964; and includes—

“(a) A lump sum payable under section 61DB or section 61DC or section 61DD of that Act:

“(b) Any special assistance granted out of the Crown Bank Account from money appropriated by Parliament under section 124 (1) (d) or (da) of that Act.

“(2) The purpose of this section is to facilitate the disclosure of information by the Department of Labour to the Department of Social Welfare for the purposes of verifying—

“(a) The entitlement or eligibility of any person to or for any benefit; or

“(b) The amount of any benefit to which any person is or was entitled or for which any person is or was eligible.

“(3) For the purpose of this section, the Director-General of Social Welfare may from time to time, in accordance with arrangements made from time to time between the Director-General and the Secretary of Labour, request the Secretary of Labour to supply, in respect of the following persons, the information specified in subsection (4) of this section:

“(a) Persons whom the Secretary of Labour believes are in New Zealand unlawfully:

“(b) Persons who are in New Zealand lawfully but only by virtue of being the holder of a temporary permit of whatever type.

“(4) The information referred to in subsection (3) of this section is as follows:

“(a) The person’s full name:

“(b) Any aliases known to be used by the person:

“(c) The person’s date of birth:

“(d) The person’s nationality:

“(e) The person’s address (if known):

“(f) The expiry date of any permit granted to the person.

“(5) On receipt of a request made under subsection (3) of this section, the Secretary of Labour may, for the purpose of this section, supply the information requested to any officer or employee or agent of the Department of Social Welfare who is authorised in that behalf by the Director-General of Social Welfare.

“(6) Information supplied pursuant to a request made under subsection (3) of this section may be supplied in such form as is determined by agreement between the Secretary of Labour and the Director-General of Social Welfare.”