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An Act to amend the Scientific and Industrial Research Act 1952
 [16 October 1963]

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 Scientific and Industrial Research Amendment Act 1963, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Scientific and Industrial Research Act 1952 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Appointment of officers—(1) Section 4 of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words “Permanent Secretary”, and substituting the word “Director-General”.

(2) The person holding office at the passing of this Act as Permanent Secretary of the Department shall be deemed to have been appointed as Director-General of the Department.

(3) Every reference in any Act, regulation, or other enactment to the Permanent Secretary, or the Secretary, of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, shall, unless the context otherwise requires, hereafter be read as a reference to the Director-General of that Department.

3. Advisory and technical committees—(1) The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 5, the following section:

“5A. (1) For the purpose of assisting in the administration of this Act the Minister may from time to time appoint such advisory or technical committees as he thinks fit.

“(2) Every such committee shall have such functions in relation to this Act as the Minister may from time to time determine.

“(3) There may be paid to the members of any such committee, out of money appropriated by Parliament for the purpose, remuneration by way of fees, salary, or allowances and travelling allowances and expenses in accordance with the Fees and Travelling Allowances Act 1951, and the provisions of that Act shall apply accordingly as if the committee were a statutory Board within the meaning of that Act.

“(4) Subject to the provisions of this Act and of any regulations made under this Act, every such committee may regulate its own procedure.”

(2) This section shall come into force on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixty-four.

4. National Research Scholarships, Fellowships, and other awards—Section 15 of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following subsections:

“(5) Any person who is awarded a scholarship, fellowship, or other award under regulations made for the purposes of this section may be required as a condition of the award to sign a bond in a form to be determined by the Director-General of the Department requiring him to pay to the Crown the sum therein specified if he makes default in the performance of any condition of the bond:

“Provided that where it is a condition of the bond that the person to whom the scholarship, fellowship, or award was granted shall at the expiry thereof remain in any employment for any period, the sum specified in the bond shall be reduced during the currency of the bond by an amount equivalent to the proportion that the service rendered in that employment bears to the full period of such service required for the discharge of the bond.

“(6) The Director-General may require that such a bond shall also be signed by a parent or guardian, or by some other person approved by the Director-General, as surety; and the parent or guardian or person who signs such a bond shall be jointly and severally liable thereunder.

“(7) Every such bond shall be enforceable against the persons who sign it, notwithstanding anything in any enactment or rule of law.”

This Act is administered in the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.
