

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES for its concurrence.

Legislative Council,

1st September, 1899.

Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.

LUNATICS ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Lunatics Act, 1882."

Title

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Lunatics Act Amendment Act, 1899."

Short Title.

2. In every case where after the coming into operation of this Act any person is found to be a lunatic on inquisition, the Court shall appoint the Public Trustee to be the committee of such person's estate, anything in section two hundred and nine of "The Lunatics Act, 1882," to the contrary notwithstanding:

Public Trustee to be committee of estate of person found lunatic.

Provided that, on the application of the Public Trustee, or of any relative of the lunatic, the Court may, in respect of the whole or any specified portion of the lunatic's estate, and upon such terms as to supervision, remuneration, and otherwise as the Court thinks fit, appoint some person other than the Public Trustee to exercise such of the functions and powers of the committee as the Court thinks fit, and may also, on the like application, vary or revoke any such appointment.

Proviso.

3. In any case where at the time of the coming into operation of this Act any person other than the Public Trustee is the committee of a lunatic's estate the provisions of subsection two of section two hundred and ten of "The Lunatics Act, 1882," relating to the duty and power of the Public Trustee to supervise and enforce the performance of the obligations and duties of such committee, shall not apply, except in so far as the Court specially orders or directs.

Modification of duty of Public Trustee to supervise committees heretofore appointed.