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

House of Representatives,
27th August, 1924.

[AS REPORTED FROM THE STATUTES REVISION COMMITTEE.]
Legislative Council, 18th September, 1924.

Hon. Sir Maui Pomare.

MASSEURS REGISTRATION AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Masseurs Registration Act, 1920. Title.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Masseurs Registration Amendment Act, 1924, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Masseurs Registration Act, 1920 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). Short Title.

2. The term "massage," as used in the principal Act, means the use by external application to the human body of manipulation, remedial exercises, electricity, heat, or light, for the purpose of curing or alleviating any abnormal condition of the body, or the use for such purpose of any other method of treatment that may be recognized by the Governor-General in Council as an approved method of performing massage, but does not include the internal use of any drug or medicine, or the application of any medical or surgical appliance except so far as the application of such appliance is necessary in the use as aforesaid of manipulation, remedial exercises, electricity, heat, light, or other approved method. Definition of term "massage" for purposes of principal Act.

3. (1.) Section two of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (*b*) of subsection two the words "A person" and substituting the words "Two persons." Increasing representation of practising masseurs on Masseurs Registration Board.

(2.) At any meeting of the Board under the principal Act, the Chairman shall have a deliberative vote, and in case of an equality of votes shall also have a casting vote.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section six of the principal Act no person shall be entitled to registration under that Act who has not attained the age of twenty-one years. Minors not entitled to registration a masseurs.

Offences under principal Act.

5. (~~1.~~) Section twelve of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following words: "or that he is engaged in the practice of massage, as defined, or that he is qualified to perform massage by the use of any defined or approved method."

Struck out.

Chiropractors not within scope of principal Act.

(2.) Nothing in the principal Act shall apply with respect to any person carrying on business under the title or description of "chiropractor," or to the business usually carried on by chiropractors.

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"Chiropractors" not within scope of principal Act.

6. The method of treatment commonly used by persons who describe themselves as "chiropractors" is not massage within the meaning of the principal Act, and "chiropractors," unless otherwise qualified, are not entitled to be registered under the principal Act.

By Authority: W. A. G. Skinner, Government Printer, Wellington.—1924.