

Hon. Mr. Parr.

PHARMACY AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Pharmacy Act, 1908.

Title.

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

1. (1.) This Act may be cited as the Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1922, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Pharmacy Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title and commencement.

(2.) This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-three.

2. Notwithstanding anything in section twenty-seven of the principal Act, no person shall be entitled to be registered as a pharmaceutical chemist under that section by virtue of being the holder of a certificate or diploma of a kind referred to in paragraph (a) thereof unless such certificate or diploma has been granted to him after he has passed the full qualifying examinations therefor of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain or the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland, as the case may be.

As to registration of persons with British qualifications.

3. (1.) Section thirty of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (b), and substituting the following paragraph:—

Varying requirements as to apprenticeship.

“(b.) Has served—

(i.) For at least four years under articles of apprenticeship as the apprentice of a registered chemist, or chemist and druggist, or homœopathic chemist, keeping open shop for the compounding and dispensing of prescriptions; or

(ii.) For at least three years under articles of apprenticeship as the apprentice of a registered chemist in charge of the dispensary of a hospital established by a Hospital Board under the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, and for not less than one year under the direction of a registered chemist keeping open shop for the compounding and dispensing of prescriptions.”

(2.) For the purposes of section thirty of the principal Act as amended by this section, any period of service in the dispensary of a hospital before the commencement of this Act shall be regarded in the same manner as if it were a period of service under articles of apprenticeship to a registered chemist in charge of such dispensary. 5

(3.) Any person who has, before the commencement of this Act, served for at least three years under articles of apprenticeship shall, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, be entitled to be registered as if this section had not been passed.

Removing restrictions as to age-limit of candidates for examination.

4. (1.) Paragraph (b) of section thirty-one of the principal Act, as set out in section two of the Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1912, is hereby repealed. 10

Consequential repeal.

(2.) The said section two of the Pharmacy Amendment Act, 1912, is hereby consequentially repealed.

Increasing the annual membership fee.

5. Section forty-two of the principal Act is hereby amended by 15 omitting from subsection two the words "ten shillings," and substituting the words "one pound one shilling."

Prescribing fees payable for registration without examination.

6. (1.) There shall be payable in respect of the registration without examination of any person as a pharmaceutical chemist, as provided in section twenty-seven of the principal Act, the fees 20 following, namely:—

(a.) In the case of a person registered by virtue of being the holder of a certificate or diploma of competency as referred to in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of that section, a fee of *five* pounds *five* shillings: 25

(b.) In the case of a person registered by virtue of being the holder of a certificate of competency as referred to in paragraph (c) of that section, a fee of *three* pounds *three* shillings.

Eighth Schedule to principal Act consequentially amended.

(2.) The Eighth Schedule to the principal Act is hereby consequentially amended by omitting so much thereof as relates to registration without examination. 30