

*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,  
9th November, 1932.*

*Hon. Mr. Cobbe.*

PENSIONS AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

<p>Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Modifying conditions as to residence in New Zealand prior to grant of miners' pensions.</p>	<p>3. Special pensions to miners' widows in certain cases. 4. Modifying conditions affecting pensions granted in respect of blindness.</p>
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Pensions Act, 1926.

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 Pensions Amendment Act, 1932, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Pensions Act, 1926 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title.

2. Section thirty-four of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to paragraph (b) the following proviso:—

Modifying conditions as to residence in New Zealand prior to grant of miners' pensions.

“Provided that continuous residence in New Zealand shall not be deemed to have been interrupted by occasional absences therefrom, not exceeding six months in the aggregate.”

3. (1) Every widow who on the passing of the National Expenditure Adjustment Act, 1932, was in receipt of a pension under section thirty-five of the principal Act shall, on the termination of that pension

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(whether before or after the passing of this Act), be entitled to a pension at the rate of thirty-five pounds nineteen shillings per annum, diminished (as if it were an old-age pension) in the manner prescribed by subsection one of section nine of the principal Act, but not otherwise diminished. 5

(2) Every pension payable under this section shall continue to be payable during the widowhood of the recipient or until she becomes qualified to receive an old-age pension, and no longer. 10

(3) This section shall be deemed to be incorporated in and to form part of Part IV of the principal Act.

Modifying  
conditions  
affecting  
pensions  
granted in  
respect of  
blindness.

4. (1) Section twenty-seven of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to the proviso to paragraph (a) the words "or of medical treatment in respect of his eyes". 15

(2) Section thirty of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to the proviso to subsection two the words "or of medical treatment in respect of his eyes".