

PASSPORTS BILL.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM.

THE provisions now in force requiring the production of passports by persons arriving in New Zealand from overseas are contained in the Passports Regulations, 1929 (*Gazette*, 1929, p. 1318), made under the authority of the War Regulations Continuance Act, 1920.

In the event of this Bill being passed into law the existing regulations will be revoked and corresponding regulations will then be made under the new law.

Hon. Mr. Young.

PASSPORTS.

ANALYSIS.

Title.
1. Short Title.

2. Governor-General in Council may make regulations requiring the production of passports by persons arriving in New Zealand from overseas. Saving of existing regulations.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Provision for the Production of
Passports by Persons arriving in New Zealand from
Overseas. Title

5 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 Passports Act, 1934. Short Title.

10 2. (1) The Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations requiring the production of passports by persons arriving in New Zealand from overseas, and exempting, either absolutely or conditionally, any persons or specified classes of persons from the requirement to produce passports. Governor-General in Council may make regulations requiring the production of passports by persons arriving in New Zealand from overseas.

15 (2) Every person who, being required by regulations under this Act to produce a passport on arrival in New Zealand, lands in New Zealand without complying with such requirement commits an offence and is liable on
20 summary conviction before a Magistrate to imprisonment for *three* months, or to a fine of *one hundred* pounds.

No. 36—1.

(3) Nothing in the *last preceding* subsection shall apply with respect to any person who, being required by regulations under this Act to produce a passport on arrival in New Zealand, lands in New Zealand without a passport, but with the sanction of the Minister of Internal Affairs or of an officer of Customs acting with the authority of that Minister, if and so long as such person conforms to the conditions (if any) attached by the said Minister or officer to the authority to land in New Zealand. 5 10

(4) Every person convicted of an offence under the foregoing provisions of this section shall be deemed for all purposes to be a prohibited immigrant within the meaning of Part II of the Immigration Restriction Act, 1908. 15

Saving of
existing
regulations.

(5) The Passport Regulations, 1929 (being regulations made under the authority of the War Regulations Continuance Act, 1920, by Order in Council dated the twenty-fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, and published in the *Gazette* of the second day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine), shall, unless sooner revoked, continue in force until regulations made under the authority of this Act come into force, and shall then be deemed to be revoked. 20