

Hon. Mr. Fowlds.

PLUMBERS REGISTRATION.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN Act to provide for the Registration of Plumbers.

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 Plumbers Registration Act, 1906." Short Title.

2. The Inspector-General of Schools (hereinafter referred to as "the Registrar") shall from time to time cause the names of all duly qualified plumbers to be registered in a book to be kept by him at his office, called the "Register of Plumbers." Register of Plumbers.

3. Every one is entitled to be registered, on payment of a fee of one shilling, who satisfies the Registrar that— Who may be registered.

(a.) On the coming into operation of this Act he was either in actual business as a master plumber or was a fully competent workman within the meaning of any award or industrial agreement in force relating to plumbers:

Provided that application for registration be made to the Registrar on or before the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eight; or

(b.) He holds a certificate of the ordinary or honours grade granted by the City and Guilds of London Institute, or some other certificate recognised by the Registrar as of at least equal value with the first-mentioned certificate and has served not less than five years at the trade.

4. (1.) Any one who thinks himself aggrieved by any decision of the Registrar in refusing to enter his name in the register may within three months after the date of the decision appeal to a Magistrate in a summary way. Appeal from decision of Registrar.

(2.) The Magistrate may make such order as he thinks just, and such order shall have effect accordingly.

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5. (1.) The Registrar shall, in the month of January in every year, cause a copy of the register, corrected to the thirty-first day of March then last past, to be published in the *Gazette*.

(2.) A copy of the *Gazette* containing such register shall be evidence that the persons therein named are registered under this Act, and the absence of the name of any person from such copy shall be *prima facie* evidence that he is not registered under this Act: 5

Provided that, in the case of any person whose name does not appear in such copy, a certificate under the hand of the Registrar of the entry of his name in the register shall be evidence that he is registered under this Act. 10

(3.) A copy of such *Gazette* shall be kept at the office of every Inspector of Factories, and be open during all reasonable hours to public inspection free of charge.

6. After the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eight, no journeyman plumber shall be deemed to be a fully competent workman within the meaning of any award or industrial agreement then or thereafter in force under "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1905," unless he is registered under this Act. 15 20

7. Every master plumber (meaning thereby every person or company carrying on the business of a master plumber) and any other person is liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds who does or employs or permits any person to do any sanitary plumbing work unless— 25

(a.) Such master or person is registered under this Act; or

(b.) Such work is done under the immediate supervision of a person so registered.