

Hon. Mr. Jones

WAR PENSIONS AMENDMENT

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1943.

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority

5 of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1949, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the War Pensions Act, 1943 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title and commencement.
1943, No. 22

10 (2) This Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

War Pensions

- Maximum rates of pensions.
1946, No. 17
1947, No. 26
- Repeals.
- Increased pensions to children in certain cases.
- Amending provisions as to adopted children.
- Amending provisions as to duration of pensions to children.
2. (1) The principal Act (as amended by subsection one of section two of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1946, and by section two of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1947) is hereby further amended by repealing the First, Second, and Third Schedules, and substituting therefor respectively the *First*, *Second*, and *Third* Schedules set out in the Schedule to this Act. 5
- (2) The following enactments are hereby repealed namely:— 10
- (a) Subsection one of section two of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1946, and the Second and Third Schedules to that Act:
- (b) Section two of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1947, and the Schedule to that Act. 15
3. Section thirty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words “ twenty shillings ”, and substituting the words “ twenty-five shillings ”.
4. Section thirty-two of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsections one and two, and substituting the following subsection:— 20
- “(1) A pension in respect of the death or disablement of a member of the Forces may, in the discretion of the Board, be granted to any child adopted by the member.” 25
5. (1) Section thirty-three of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection one, and substituting the following subsections:—
- “(1) A pension granted to or on behalf of a child of a member of the Forces in respect of his death or disablement shall commence on such day as the Board determines, being not earlier than the first day of the month in which the child is born. 30
- “(1A) Save as provided in this section, a pension granted to or on behalf of a child of a member of the Forces in respect of his death or disablement shall not continue after the end of the month in which the child has attained the age of sixteen years.” 35
- (2) The said section thirty-three is hereby further amended by inserting in subsection two, after the word “ until ”, the words “ the end of the month in which ”. 40

(3) The said section thirty-three is hereby further amended by adding the following subsection:—

“ (7) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section seventy-two hereof, where a child to whom or on
5 whose behalf a pension has been granted under this Act dies, the pension shall continue to the end of the month in which the child dies, and the amount (if any) unpaid on the date of the death of the child shall be paid to the person to whom the pension was payable on that date,
10 or, in the discretion of the Board, to such other person as the Board thinks fit.”

6. Section thirty-six of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from subsection two the words
15 “ twenty shillings ”, and substituting the words “ twenty-five shillings ”.

Increasing pensions to guardians of motherless children.

7. (1) Section forty of the principal Act (as amended by section four of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1947) is hereby further amended by omitting
20 from subsection one the words “ five pounds ten shillings ”, and substituting the words “ five pounds fifteen shillings ”.

Increasing allowances for services of attendant.

(2) Section four of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1947, is hereby repealed.

Repeal.
1947, No. 26

Pensions in Respect of Service with Emergency Reserve Corps

8. Section fifty-seven of the principal Act (as amended by subsection two of section four of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1946) is hereby further
25 amended as follows:—

Increasing maximum rates of Emergency Reserve Corps pensions.
1946, No. 17

30 (a) By omitting from paragraph (a) the words “ thirty shillings ”, and substituting the words “ thirty-five shillings ”:

(b) By omitting from paragraph (b) the words
35 “ three pounds ”, and substituting the words “ three pounds ten shillings ”:

(c) By omitting from paragraph (c) the words
“ one pound a week ”, and substituting the words “ one pound five shillings a week ”:

(d) By omitting from the said paragraph (c) the words “ one pound ten shillings ”, and substituting the words “ one pound fifteen shillings ”.

War Veterans' Allowances

Increasing rates
of war veterans'
allowances.

1945, No. 12

1947, No. 26

9. (1) Section sixty-two of the principal Act (as amended by section two of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1945, and by section nine of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1947) is hereby further amended by omitting the words "one hundred and seventeen pounds" wherever they occur, and substituting in each case the words "one hundred and thirty pounds".

Repeal.

(2) Section nine of the War Pensions Amendment Act, 1947, is hereby repealed.

Schedule.

SCHEDULE

"FIRST SCHEDULE

"RATES OF PENSIONS IN RESPECT OF DEATH OF MALE MEMBER OF FORCES

<i>(First Column.)</i> Rank or Rating	<i>(Second Column.)</i> To the Wife in every Case, per Week.	<i>(Third Column.)</i> To the Wife with a Dependent Child or Children, per Week (Additional Mother's Allowance).	<i>(Fourth Column.)</i> To each Child, per Week.
All ranks and ratings below commissioned rank (Army, Navy and Air Force)	£ s. d. 2 10 0	£ s. d. 1 15 0	s. d. 10 0
Commissioned officer not above the rank of Lieutenant (Army); Sub-Lieutenant (Navy); Pilot Officer (Air Force)	2 15 0	1 15 0	10 0
Captain (Army); Lieutenant (Navy); Flying Officer, Flight Lieutenant (Air Force)	3 0 0	1 15 0	10 0
Major (Army); Lieutenant-Commander (Navy); Squadron Leader (Air Force)	3 7 0	1 15 0	10 0
Lieutenant-Colonel (Army); Commander (Navy); Wing Commander (Air Force)	3 16 0	1 15 0	10 0
Colonel (Army); Captain (Navy); Group Captain (Air Force)	3 18 0	1 15 0	10 0
Brigadier, Brigadier-General, Major-General, Lieutenant-General (Army); Commodores, first and second class, Rear-Admiral (Navy); Air Commodore, Air Vice-Marshal, Air Marshal (Air Force)	4 0 0	1 15 0	10 0

“ SECOND SCHEDULE

“ RATES OF PENSIONS IN RESPECT OF DEATH OR TOTAL DISABLEMENT OF FEMALE MEMBER OF FORCES

<i>(First Column.)</i> Rank or Rating.	<i>(Second Column.)</i> In the Case of Disablement, to the Member per Week.	<i>(Third Column.)</i> In the Case of Death or Disablement, to each Child per Week.
Matron (Army Nursing Service), Senior Commander (Women's Army Auxiliary Corps), First Officer (Women's Royal New Zealand Naval Service), Squadron Officer (Women's Auxiliary Air Force), and all ranks and ratings below	£ s. d. 3 10 0	s. d. 10 0
Principal Matron (Army Nursing Service), Chief Commander (Women's Army Auxiliary Corps), Chief Officer (Women's Royal New Zealand Naval Service), Wing Officer (Women's Auxiliary Air Force)	3 11 0	10 0
Matron-in-Chief (Army Nursing Service) ..	3 13 0	10 0

" *THIRD SCHEDULE*

" RATES OF PENSIONS IN RESPECT OF TOTAL DISABLEMENT OF MALE MEMBER OF FORCES

<i>(First Column.)</i>	<i>(Second Column.)</i>	<i>(Third Column.)</i>	<i>(Fourth Column.)</i>	<i>(Fifth Column.)</i>
Rank or Rating.	To the Member per Week.	To the Wife without a Dependent Child, per Week.	To the Wife with a Dependent Child or Children, per Week: (Mother's Allowance).	To each Child per Week.
Major (Army); Lieutenant-Commander (Navy); Squadron Leader (Air Force); and all ranks and ratings below	£ s. d. 3 10 0	£ s. d. 1 5 0	£ s. d. 1 15 0	s. d. 10 0
Lieutenant-Colonel (Army); Commander (Navy); Wing Commander (Air Force)	3 11 0	1 15 6	2 5 6	10 0
Colonel (Army); Captain (Navy); Group Captain (Air Force)	3 13 0	1 16 6	2 6 6	10 0
Brigadier, Brigadier-General, Major-General, Lieutenant-General (Army); Commodores, first and second class, Rear-Admiral (Navy); Air Commodore, Air Vice-Marshal, Air Marshal (Air Force)	3 15 0	1 17 6	2 7 6	10 0 "