



Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1962

1962

- Citation:** No 45
Date of Assent: 5 December, 1962
Commencement: Date of Assent
- Repeal:** Repealed 1993, No 4
Amendments: 1974, No 73: See separate record.
s23 repeals s10 – relating to uneconomic interests.
- Type of Legislation:** Public
- Subject:** Maori Land Court: Structures & Jurisdiction
Public/Native/Maori Trustee
Alienation of Maori Land
Leased Land
Survey Issues
Forestry
Compulsory Acquis & Transfer of Control
- Relevant Sections:** s4: Appeals to Appellate Court to be by way of rehearing.
s7: Powers of trustees.
s8: The Family Protection Act 1955 shall apply to Maori as it applies to Europeans.
s14: Allotment of small undivided share interests on partition.
s15: Provision of survey, roading, etc. costs of subdivision by Maori Trustee to be charge on land.
s18: Leases for afforestation purposes.
s19: Extended powers to grant leases.
s23: Maori Trustee may consent to assignment of lease.
s25: Alienation of land by incorporation.
s30: Board of Maori Affairs may use Part XXIV development land for afforestation purposes and may carry out forestry operations itself, or appoint the Minister of Forests, or contract with a person or company to carry them out.
s33: MLCt may authorise Maori Trustee to provide finance for roading, survey and other services.
s34: Protection of moneys held on trust for Maori.
s35: Payment of alienation money held by Maori Trustee or deceased owner.

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Commentary: Hanan, the Minister of Maori Affairs, said that this Act represents the Government's policy which is "one of integration, with the preservation of the arts and crafts and culture of our Maori people so far as is practicable and so far as they would wish it. The Government's policy is to remove with all convenient speed the legal distinctions which make for segregation". The Act is described as in two parts: provisions for the refining of administration and provisions for closing legislative distinctions between Maori and Pakeha. Tirikatene said that he was satisfied that the Act would remove many delays in Maori Affairs administration. One change is to allow leases of Maori land for afforestation purposes to be longer than 50 years with Hanan expressing the hope that "over the years we shall see trees growing on many thousands of acres of Maori land which would otherwise be lying idle".

Cross Reference: NZPD vol 332 (1962) 2938 - 2946.