

*Births, Deaths, and Marriages Registration Bill*

The Bill consolidates and amends the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1951 and certain provisions of the Marriages Act 1955 relating to the registration of marriages.

*Civil Aviation Amendment Bill (No. 2)*

This Bill amends the Civil Aviation Act 1964.

*Clause 1* relates to the Short Title.

*Clause 2* substitutes a new section into the principal Act, which deals with the sale of liquor at international airports.

This clause provides—

- (a) That such sales of liquor are dealt with by the section itself, although regulations may be made to regulate and control such sales; and
- (b) That liquor can now be sold to passengers on aircraft arriving in New Zealand; and
- (c) Such sales may only be made to passengers who have attained the age of 20 years; and
- (d) The maximum fine for offences under the section or any regulations made under the section is increased from \$100 to \$1,000; and
- (e) That liquor so sold may be delivered by or on behalf of the purchaser to any persons within New Zealand or consumed within New Zealand if it has been entered by the passenger for home consumption in accordance with the Customs Act 1966.

*Employment Equity Bill*

This Bill establishes procedures designed to achieve employment equity, through—

- the identification of areas of employment with inequality of opportunity for designated groups, and inequality of remuneration for women;
- the promotion of equal employment opportunities;
- the redress of remuneration inequalities for women.

The Bill has four parts, covering the following:

- employment equity commissioner;
- equal employment opportunities;
- pay equity;
- miscellaneous provisions.

The changes come into force on 1 October 1990.

*Government Superannuation Fund Amendment Bill (No. 4)*

The Government Superannuation Fund Amendment Bill (No. 4) provides for variations in the rates of allowances, annuities and other payments that are payable under the Government Superannuation Fund Act 1956.

These variations are as a consequence of the enactment of the Income Tax Amendment Act 1989. The following changes in taxation are taken into account in the changes proposed by the Bill:

- (a) Investment earnings of superannuation schemes are now taxable;
- (b) Employer contributions to schemes are now subject to superannuation withholding tax; and
- (c) Pensions (as well as lump sums) are tax free from 1 April 1990.

*Importation of Medicines Bill*

This Bill relates to the importation of medicines by the Crown.

Section 32A of the Medicines Act 1981 was enacted by section 66 of the Finance Act (No. 5) 1989, which was passed through all stages on Budget night. That section provides blanket protection in respect of the importation of medicines by the Crown.

This Bill removes that blanket protection, and provides instead certain specific protections under the Crown Proceedings Act 1950, the Trade Marks Act 1953, and the Copyright Act 1962.

The amendments to the Crown Proceedings Act 1950 and the Trade Marks Act 1953 are to similar effect. They protect the Crown and other persons from liability in respect of any infringement of trade mark relating to any medicine imported under section 32A, except where—

- (a) The trade mark was wrongfully applied to the medicine before importation; or
- (b) The trade mark was applied to the medicine after importation.

The amendments to the Copyright Act 1962 provide protection against liability for breach of copyright relating to any literary or artistic work connected with a medicine imported under section 32A if the work was made or distributed in an overseas country by or with the licence of the owner of the copyright in that country.

*Queen Elizabeth the Second National Trust Amendment Bill (No. 2)*

This Bill makes a number of miscellaneous amendments to the Queen Elizabeth the Second National Trust Act 1977.

Appointment for the directors of the Trust will be provided for. The number of Ministerial appointees will be reduced to four. Appointment criteria will be altered.

A provision for the appointment of special committees for particular purposes will be continued.

Consent is no longer required by the Minister of Conservation in order for an open space covenant to be executed in respect of land that is subject to a Crown lease.

*Resource Management Bill*

The objective of this Bill is to integrate the laws relating to resource management and to set up a resource management system that promotes sustainable management of natural and physical resources.