

Summary of Bills Introduced

Subordinate Legislation (Confirmation and Validation) (No. 2)

Confirms and validates certain subordinate legislation made under enactments providing that the legislation lapses after the time unless confirmed or validated by Act of Parliament.

Films, Videos, and Publications Classification

Consolidates and amends the law relating to the censorship of films, video recordings, books, sound recordings, and other publications. Comprises ten parts and principally provides for:

- a single censorship statute consisting of the three censorship regimes currently operating under the Indecent Publications Act 1963, the Films Act 1983 and the Video Recordings Act 1987;
- a unified set of classification criteria for videos, books, sound recordings and other publications;
- a unified labelling system for evaluating films and video recordings before these are made available to the public;
- access to the Classification Office for persons wishing to obtain classification of a publication;
- publications to be classified as either unrestricted, objectionable or restricted;
- the Classification Office to impose conditions on the display of restricted films and books in public places;
- material which is the subject of court proceedings to be referred to the Classification Office for classification;
- inspectors of publications to have certain powers of search and seizure; and
- a new offence for possession of prohibited material and substantially increased penalties for offences.

Treaty of Waitangi (Fisheries Claims) Settlement

Gives effect to the legislative proposals contained in the settlement of Maori claims relating to Maori commercial fishing rights, as embodied in a Deed of Settlement dated 23 September 1992 between the Crown and Maori. The background to the Bill is set out in the Preamble to the Bill.

Recognises that the claims to commercial fishing rights and interests acknowledged in the Preamble have been finally settled, and that non-commercial Maori fishing rights and interests will continue to be subject to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi but will not be enforceable against the Crown.

Discontinues certain Court proceedings and cancels interim orders which relate to outstanding Maori commercial fisheries claims against the Crown.

Amends a number of other enactments including the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975. Amends this Act to prevent the Waitangi Tribunal inquiring into, or making findings or recommendations in respect of,—

- (a) Commercial fishing and commercial fisheries;
- (b) The Deed of Settlement;
- (c) Any enactment, to the extent that it relates to commercial fishing or commercial fisheries.

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Government Notices

Commerce

Telecommunications (International Services) Regulations 1989

Telecommunications (International Services) Regulations (Global Telecom Systems Limited) Notice 1992

Pursuant to regulation 4(4) of the Telecommunications (International Services) Regulations 1989, I, Hunter Macandrew Donaldson, General Manager, Communications Division, Ministry of Commerce, acting under delegated authority, hereby give the following notice.

Notice

1. Short title—This notice may be cited as the Telecommunications (International Services) Regulations (Global Telecom Systems Limited) Notice 1992.

2. Global Telecom Systems Limited a registered operator—Notice is hereby given that Global Telecom

Systems Limited was registered as a registered operator for the purposes of the Telecommunications (International Services) Regulations 1989 on 17 September 1992.

H. M. DONALDSON, General Manager.
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Education

Education Act 1989

Change of Class Wanganui Boys' College

Pursuant to section 146A of the Education Act 1989, I hereby declare that Wanganui Boys' High School will be a co-educational school, F3–F7 on the 1st day of January 1993, and cease to be a single-sex secondary school on that day.

Dated at Wellington this 23rd day of November 1992.

LOCKWOOD SMITH, PH.D., Minister of Education.
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