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Hon. Mr. Seddon.

INDUSTRIAL CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894." 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 Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act Amendment Act, 1896," and it shall be read with and form part of "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the principal Act"). Short Title.

2. (1.) No person whilst holding a seat on one Board shall hereafter be eligible for nomination or election to a seat on any other Board, and if he is so elected his election shall be void. No member of one Board to be nominated or elected to another.

(2.) If any person allows himself to be nominated for election as member of more Boards than one, both nominations shall be void.

(3.) In the event of any person's election becoming void under this section the Governor shall fill the vacancy by appointment, in the same manner as if the prescribed number of members had not been elected, anything in section thirty-six of the principal Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

(4.) This section shall apply both to Boards of Conciliation and to special Boards of Conciliators *inter se*, but shall not otherwise affect the operation of section forty-one of the principal Act, nor shall it in any way affect any election held before the coming into operation of this Act.

3. (1.) Every person appointed by the Governor to be member or Chairman of a Board shall be deemed to be elected within the meaning and for the purposes of section thirty-three of the principal Act. Members appointed by Governor deemed elected.

(2.) This section shall take effect as from the date of the coming into force of the principal Act.

Joinder of employer, &c., as party to dispute.

4. When any industrial dispute has been referred for settlement to a Board or the Court, any employer, association, trade-union, or industrial union may, on application, be joined as party thereto at any stage of the proceedings, and on such terms as the Board or the Court deems equitable.

Registration of a company as an industrial union.

5. In the case of any incorporated or registered company the directors shall sufficiently represent the members for the purpose of the application to register as an industrial union of employers, and the resolution prescribed by subsection one of section three of the principal Act may accordingly be a resolution of the directors.

By Authority : JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1896.