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1969, No. 17

An Act to amend the Civil List Act 1968

(22 December 1969

BE IT MNACTED by the Legislative Assembly of the Cook Islands in Session assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- Short Title This Act may be cited as the Civil List Amendment Act 1969 and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Civil List Act 1968 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act").
- 2. Travelling allowances and expenses of Premier and Ministers - Section 7 of the principal Act is hereby amended
 - Omitting the words "ten dollars and fifty cents" in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and substituting the words "twelve dollars":

Adding a new subsection (4) as follows:

"(4) There shall be payable to each Minister (including the Premier) in addition to the other allowances provided by this section, a travelling allowance for such period that the Minister's wife actually accompanys him, and where the travel of his wife is authorised by Cabinet -

- (a) In New Zealand:
 - at the rate of three dollars per day where the accommodation and meal charges in respect of his wife are borne officially;
 - (ii) at the rate of eight dollars per day where the accommodation and meal charges in respect of his wife are not borne officially:
- (b) In any other place outside the Cook Islands at such rate to cover actual and reasonable expenses as Cabinet shall from time to time determine:

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall authorise the payment of such travelling allowance on more than one occasion in any period of twelve months."

- 3. Sitting allowance Section 14 of the principal Act in hereby amended by inserting the words "or an assistant to a Minister" after the words "Public Service Act 1965".
- 4. <u>Mon-sitting allowance</u> Section 15 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting the words "or an assistant to a Linister" after the words "Tublic Service Act 1965".
- 5. New Part IIA inserted The principal Act is hereby further amended by inserting after Part II and before Part III, the following new Part:-

"PART IIA

ASSISTANTS TO THE MINISTERS

- Appointment of Assistants to the Ministers (1) The High Commissioner may from time to time by warrant under his hand on the advice of the Premier, appoint any member of the Legislative Assembly to be an Assistant to a Minister.
 - (2) The office of Assistant to a Minister shall be held in relation to one or more Ministerial offices, to be specified in that behalf in writing by the Premier.
- 20B. Term of office (1) The office of an Assistant to a minister shall be vacated if:
 - (a) he resigns his office by notice in writing to the High Commissioner, or
 - (b) he ceases to be a Member of the Legislative Assembly.
 - (2) Subject to the foregoing provisions of this section, every person appointed as an Assistant to a Minister shall hold office as such during the pleasure of the High Commissioner acting on the advice of the Premier.
- 20C. Notice of appointment and vacation of office Notice of the appointment of any person as an Assistant to a Minister, and of the vacation of his office by resignation or otherwise, shall be published in the Gazette forthwith after the appointment or vacation of office, as the case may be.
- 20D. Remuneration of Assistants to the Ministers There shall be paid to each Assistant to a Minister a salary at the rate of one thousand five hundred and sixty dollars a year.
- 20E. Functions of Assistants to the Ministers An Assistant to a Minister shall perform such functions as shall be prescribed for him by the Minister."

This Act is administered in the Legislative Service

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