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[CONFIDENTIAL.]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1929.

A BILL

To amend the law relating to employment of persons on unemployment relief work; to extend the power of the Industrial Commission to review Awards of Conciliation Committees; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts, and for purposes connected therewith.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1929." Short title.

(2) The Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

2. (1) The Principal Act is amended by inserting after section twenty-nine the following new section :— Amendment of Act No. 17, 1912.

29A. Where a work is declared by the Minister by notification published in the Gazette to be work provided for the relief of unemployment, the wages, hours, and the mode, terms, and conditions of employment of any person employed upon such work shall be such as the Minister directs notwithstanding any provision of any Act or of any award or industrial agreement : New s. 29A. Relief works.

Provided that, subject to the provisions of section twenty-seven, no person employed in such work shall receive a less rate of wage than the current living wage for an adult male employee appropriate to the work upon which he is employed.

(2) The Principal Act is further amended— Further amendment of Act No. 17, 1912.

- (a) by omitting from subsection one of section twenty-eight the words " whether made under this Act or the repealed Acts " and also the words " under this Act or the repealed Acts " ; Sec. 28 (1). (Variation of award.)
- (b) by omitting subsection two of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following new subsection :— Sec. 28 (2). Ibid.

(2) In this section " board " includes a conciliation committee established under the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1926, and " award " includes an award, determination, or order made by such a committee under that Act.

3. The Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1926, is amended— Amendment of Act No. 14, 1926.

- (a) by omitting subsection two of section nine and by inserting the following new subsection :— Sec. 9 (2). (Powers of conciliation committees.)

(2) An award or order of a committee shall after settlement by the registrar in manner prescribed by the regulations be signed by the chairman.

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Upon any such settlement the registrar may submit any question of law to the Commission who may give such direction as to it seems proper, or he may refer the matter back to the chairman of the committee for report or for further consideration by the committee.

The registrar shall publish the award or order, when signed, in the Gazette, and shall notify the parties in the prescribed manner.

- (b) by omitting from section ten the words "or Sec. 10. unless and until the Commission shall have (Jurisdiction of committee exclusive.) been satisfied that a committee has failed to result in an order or award" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or of section twenty-eight of the Principal Act as amended by the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1929."
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