No. , 1916.

A BILL

To amend the Medical Practitioners Act, 1912,

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. This Act has been cited as the "Medical Prac-Short title. titioners (Amendment) Act, 1916."

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2. Section nine of the Medical Practitioners' Act, Amendment 1912, is amended by adding thereto the following sub- of s. 9. section:—

(2) If any such person refuses to meet any legally qualified medical practitioner in consultation in respect of any patient on the ground that such medical practitioner is or has at any time been in the service of the Crown, or of any friendly society, or being in such service is acting or has acted as a medical practitioner in pursuance of the conditions of such service, he shall for the purposes of this section be deemed to be guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect.

If in any inquiry under this section into a charge of infamous conduct as aforesaid it is proved that the person charged has refused to meet any legally qualified medical practitioner in consultation in respect of any patient, such refusal shall be deemed to have been on the ground aforesaid unless it is shown that such refusal was on other grounds.