

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

No. , 1915.

A BILL

To provide that Members of Parliament shall not act as paid advocates or agents in connection with certain matters; and for other purposes.

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 may be cited as the "Members of Parliament (Agents) Act, 1915"; and shall come into force on the day of , one thousand nine hundred and

2. "Member of Parliament" means a Member of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of New South Wales. Definition.

3. After the commencement of this Act a Member of Parliament shall not act as counsel, solicitor, or agent for fee, remuneration, or reward in any matter or proceeding— Members not to act as paid agents in certain matters.

- (a) under any Act the administration of which is vested in a Minister of a Department of the Government of New South Wales; or
- (b) before any court or board constituted by any such Act; or
- (c) which is dealt with or controlled by any such Government department.

4. If any Member of Parliament acts as counsel, solicitor, or agent in contravention of this Act, he shall not be entitled to sue for or recover any fee, remuneration, or reward in connection therewith, and shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *two hundred* pounds. Such penalty may be recovered summarily before a stipendiary or police magistrate. Penalty.

