## [CONFIDENTIAL.]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1914.

## A BILL

[PUBLIC SERVICE (GRATUITIES AND REFUNDS BILL), 1914.]

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 "Public Service Short title. (Gratuities and Refunds) Act, 1914."

2. (1) Section seventy-one of the Public Service Act, 1902, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) Omit "by the board"

(b) Omit "was" in paragraph (a) after "person", and insert the word "is"

40—(3) (c)

- (c) Omit "this Act" and insert "Public Service Act of 1895"
- (2) This section shall have effect on and from the sixteenth August, one thousand nine hundred and two.
- 3. (1) The following new section is inserted next after section seventy-one of the Public Service Act, 1902 :-
  - 71a. Any officer who on the twenty-third December, one thousand eight hundred and ninetyfive, was a contributor to the superannuation account, and who elected under the provisions of section sixty-two of the Public Service Act of 1895 to discontinue contributing thereto, shall be entitled, on his retirement from the Public Service for any cause other than an offence, to receive from the Consolidated Revenue Fund—
    - (a) a refund of the amount paid by him to such account up to the date of his so electing as aforesaid, together with interest thereon at the rate of three per centum per annum from such last mentioned date; and
    - (b) a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of service from the date of his permanent appointment and a fortnight's pay in respect of each year of temporary service; such gratuity to be calculated on the average of his salary during the whole term of his employment, and to be payable only in respect of service prior to the twenty-third December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

In the event of the death of any such officer before retirement his legal representatives shall be entitled to receive from the Consolidated Revenue Fund the refund

and interest specified in paragraph (a) hereof.

(2) This section shall have effect on and from the sixteenth August, one thousand nine hundred and two, and the rights thereby conferred on the officers therein referred to shall be in lieu of any rights to a gratuity, refund, or interest conferred by the Public Service Act, 1902, or any Act amending it.

4. (1) Section four of the Public Service (Super-Amendment annuation) Act, 1903, is amended, as follows:— (a) Omit "subsection (a) of section seventy-one," service Superannuation
insert "subsection one of section seventythree"

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(b) Omit all after the words "and to be payable" to the end of the section, and insert "only in respect of service prior to the twenty-third December, one thousand eight hundred and

(2) Nothing in this section shall apply to any Saving. person who has retired from his public employment

before the commencement of this Act.