## 1931. NEW ZEALAND.

# STATUTES REVISION COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

(Mr. W. J. BROADFOOT, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

#### ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

TUESDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF JULY, 1931.

Ordered, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to whom shall be referred all Bills specially dealing with the revision of the law, with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council; the Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum; the Committee to consist of Mr. Barnard, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Broadfoot, Mr. Field, Mr. Lysnar, Mr. Mason, the Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, the Hon. Mr. Downie Stewart, Mr. Wilkinson, and the Mover."—(Hon. Mr. Cobbe.)

## THURSDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF JULY, 1931.

Ordered, "That the Deaths by Accidents Compensation Amendment Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Mr. Mason.)

Ordered, "That the Deaths by Accidents Compensation Amendment Bill (No. 2) be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Hon. Mr. Downie Stewart.)

Ordered, "That the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Amendment Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Mr. Mason.)

Ordered, "That the Distress and Replevin Amendment Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Mr. Fraser.)

TUESDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF JULY, 1931.

Ordered, "That the Reprint of Statutes Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."-(Hon. Sir APIRANA NGATA.)

FRIDAY, THE 31ST DAY OF JULY, 1931.

Ordered, "That the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Mr. Fraser.)

Wednesday, the 2nd Day of September, 1931.

Ordered, "That the Lands Transfer (Hawke's Bay) Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Right Hon. Mr. FORBES.)

THURSDAY, THE 22ND DAY OF OCTOBER, 1931.

Ordered, "That the Chattels Transfer Amendment Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."-(Hon. Mr. Downie Stewart.)

THURSDAY, THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1931.

Ordered, "That the Law Practitioners Bill be referred to the Statutes Revision Committee."—(Hon. Mr. DOWNIE STEWART).

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#### REPRINT OF STATUTES BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee has carefully considered the Reprint of Statutes Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

4th August, 1931.

#### DISTRESS AND REPLEVIN AMENDMENT BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee has carefully considered the above-mentioned Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with the amendment shown in the attached copy.

18th August, 1931.

## JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS (REGULATION OF REPORTS) BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee has carefully considered the above Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with the amendment shown in the attached copy. 26th August, 1931.

#### LAND TRANSFER (HAWKE'S BAY) BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee has carefully considered the abovementioned Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with the amendments shown in the attached copy.

The Committee further recommend that the proposed amendments submitted by the Hawke's Bay District Law Society, relevant to clauses 10 and 11 of the Bill, receive favourable consideration. 27th October, 1931.

## CHATTELS TRANSFER AMENDMENT BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee has carefully considered the Chattels Transfer Amendment Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with the amendments shown in the copy of the Bill hereto attached.

5th November, 1931.

## DIVORCE AND MATRIMONIAL CAUSES AMENDMENT BILL.

I have the honour to report that the honourable member in charge of the above-mentioned Bill having intimated his intention of applying for leave to withdraw the Bill, the Committee recommends that leave be given accordingly.

5th November, 1931.

## LAW PRACTITIONERS BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee has carefully considered the abovementioned Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment. 6th November, 1931.

## SPECIAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Committee desires to express their appreciation of the manner in which Mr. L. C. Dawe, as Clerk of the Committee, has performed his duties, and further that this resolution be recorded on the minutes of the Committee and reported to the House.

9th November, 1931.

W. J. Broadfoot, Chairman.

#### FINAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Statutes Revision Committee, consisting of ten members, has held twelve meetings, with an average attendance at each meeting of five members. Nine Bills have been referred to the Committee, all of which have been considered. Six have been reported on, one was withdrawn on the recommendation of the Committee, and two were left in the hands of the Government to be dealt with.

9th November, 1931.

W. J. Broadfoot, Chairman.

#### SPECIAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Committee desires to place on record their cordial appreciation of the ability and unfailing courtesy of Mr. W. J. Broadfoot, who as Chairman has carried out his duties, and, further, that this resolution be recorded on the minutes of the Committee, and reported to the House.

10th November, 1931.

W. H. FIELD, Member of the Committee.

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