LUNACY (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of Amendment referred to in Legislative Council's Message of 1st May, 1946.

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W. R. McCOURT, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 12 April, 1946.

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to this Bill with an Amendment.

W. K. CHARLTON,

Clerk of the Parliaments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 1st May, 1946.

New South Wales.



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GEORGII VI REGIS.

Act No. , 1946.

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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 "Lunacy short title (Amendment) Act, 1946."

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(2) The Lunacy Act of 1898, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Lunacy Act, 1898-1946.

2. The Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, is amended by inserting Amendment **5** at the end of section sixty-seven the following proviso:

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Provided that in any case in which a person has been removed to and is kept in a hospital for the criminal insane in pursuance of a direction given by the Colonial Secretary under the provisions of this section, the Colonial Secretary may at any time, under if in his opinion the circumstances so warrant, issue appearing his order to the superintendent of such hospital insane.) directing that such person be removed to and kept in such hospital for the insane (not being a hospital for the criminal insane) as he may appoint.

Sec. 67. in reference

3. The Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, is further amended by inserting next after section sixty-seven the following new section:-

67A. (1) In any case in which a person charged Order by with an offence for which he has not been tried 20 (hereinafter called "the patient") is detained in a for trial hospital for the insane or in a hospital for the criminal insane the Attorney-General, if he is of opinion that the question whether the patient is fit to plead if put upon his trial should be determined 25 by a jury, may by order under his hand direct that the patient be removed from the hospital in which he is detained to some gaol appointed by the Attorney-General and specified in the order.

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- (2) Such order shall be a sufficient warrant 30 for the removal of the patient from the hospital in which he is detained and for his detention in the gaol appointed by the Attorney-General and specified in the order.
- (3) The Attorney-General may further order 35 that a jury of twelve persons be empanelled for trial of an issue whether the patient is fit to plead if placed upon his trial. (4)

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- (4) The said issue shall be tried at a time and place appointed by the Attorney-General before a judge of the Supreme Court or a chairman of Quarter Sessions.
- (5) The governor of the gaol in which the patient is detained shall procure the attendance of the patient at the time and place appointed for the trial of the said issue.
- the Sheriff shall summon twenty four thirty-six persons chosen by him from the list of jurors in the Sydney juror's list to attend at the time and place appointed by the Attorney-General for the trial of the said issue.
- (7) A jury of twelve persons shall be empanelled from the jurors in attendance at the court and the said issue shall be tried in accordance with the procedure adopted at a criminal trial where upon the trial of an indictment a question is raised whether the accused is fit to plead. The judge presiding at the trial shall have power to make any order including a power of postponement and give any directions which in his opinion are necessary for the trial of the issue. The jurors empanelled to try the issue shall be sworn in such manner as the court shall direct.
 - (8) If the jury find that the patient is not fit to plead he shall be returned to the hospital from which he was removed.
 - (9) If the jury find that the patient is fit to plead he shall be returned to the gaol.
 - (10) If a bill is found against him he shall be placed upon his trial.
 - (11) If a bill is not found against him a certificate shall be issued by the Attorney-General to the judges of the Supreme Court in accordance with the provisions of section three hundred and fifty-eight of the Crimes Act, 1900, and any of the said judges may thereupon direct the gaoler in whose custody the patient may be to discharge him from custody.

- (12) At the trial of the said issue the patient shall be entitled to give evidence on oath or to make an unsworn statement.
- (13) If the jury find that the patient is fit to plead and he is placed upon his trial he shall be entitled to set up the defence that he was insane at the time when the offence with which he is charged was committed.

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Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 12 April, 1946.

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Clerk of the Parliaments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, May, 1946.

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Provided that in any case in which a person has \$\frac{1898.}{\text{Sec. 67.}}\$ been removed to and is kept in a hospital for the criminal insane in pursuance of a direction given in reference by the Colonial Secretary under the provisions of persons this section, the Colonial Secretary may at any time, under if in his opinion the circumstances so warrant, issue appearing his order to the superintendent of such hospital insane.) directing that such person be removed to and kept in such hospital for the insane (not being a hospital for the criminal insane) as he may appoint.

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3. The Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, is further amended by inserting next after section sixty-seven the following new section:-

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- (2) Such order shall be a sufficient warrant 30 for the removal of the patient from the hospital in which he is detained and for his detention in the gaol appointed by the Attorney-General and specified in the order.
- (3) The Attorney-General may further order 35 that a jury of twelve persons be empanelled for trial of an issue whether the patient is fit to plead if placed upon his trial.

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- (4) The said issue shall be tried at a time and place appointed by the Attorney-General before a judge of the Supreme Court or a chairman of Quarter Sessions.
- (5) The governor of the gaol in which the patient is detained shall procure the attendance of the patient at the time and place appointed for the trial of the said issue.
- (6) At the request of the Clerk of the Peace the Sheriff shall summon twenty four thirty-six persons chosen by him from the list of jurors in the Sydney juror's list to attend at the time and place appointed by the Attorney-General for the trial of the said issue.

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- (7) A jury of twelve persons shall be empanelled from the jurors in attendance at the court and the said issue shall be tried in accordance with the procedure adopted at a criminal trial where upon the trial of an indictment a question is raised whether the accused is fit to plead. The judge presiding at the trial shall have power to make any order including a power of postponement and give any directions which in his opinion are necessary for the trial of the issue. The jurors empanelled to try the issue shall be sworn in such manner as the court shall direct.
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- (12) At the trial of the said issue the patient shall be entitled to give evidence on oath or to make an unsworn statement.
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W. R. McCOURT, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 12 April, 1946.

New South Wales.



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(2) The Lunacy Act of 1898, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Lunacy Act, 1898-1946.

2. The Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, is amended by inserting Amendment 5 at the end of section sixty-seven the following proviso:—

Provided that in any case in which a person has been removed to and is kept in a hospital for the criminal insane in pursuance of a direction given in reference by the Colonial Secretary under the provisions of this section, the Colonial Secretary may at any time, under if in his opinion the circumstances so warrant, issue his order to the superintendent of such hospital insane.) directing that such person be removed to and kept in such hospital for the insane (not being a hospital for the criminal insane) as he may appoint.

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- (4) The said issue shall be tried at a time and place appointed by the Attorney-General before a judge of the Supreme Court or a chairman of Quarter Sessions.
- (5) The governor of the gaol in which the patient is detained shall procure the attendance of the patient at the time and place appointed for the trial of the said issue.
- (6) At the request of the Clerk of the Peace the Sheriff shall summon twenty-four persons chosen by him from the list of jurors in the Sydney jurors' list to attend at the time and place appointed by the Attorney-General for the trial of the said issue.

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ANNO DECIMO

GEORGII VI REGIS.

Act No. 38, 1946.

An Act to amend the Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, and certain other Acts: and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 21st May, 1946.]

DE 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 "Lunacy short title (Amendment) Act, 1946."

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(2) The Lunacy Act of 1898, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Lunacy Act, 1898-1946.

Amendment of Act No. 45, 1898. Sec. 67. (Procedure in reference to certain persons under detention appearing insane.)

2. The Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, is amended by inserting at the end of section sixty-seven the following proviso:—

Provided that in any case in which a person has been removed to and is kept in a hospital for the criminal insane in pursuance of a direction given by the Colonial Secretary under the provisions of this section, the Colonial Secretary may at any time, if in his opinion the circumstances so warrant, issue his order to the superintendent of such hospital directing that such person be removed to and kept in such hospital for the insane (not being a hospital for the criminal insane) as he may appoint.

Further amendment of Act No. 45, 1898. New sec. 67A. 3. The Lunacy Act, 1898-1945, is further amended by inserting next after section sixty-seven the following new section:—

Order by Attorney-General for trial of issue whether patient fit to plead if placed upon trial.

- 67A. (1) In any case in which a person charged with an offence for which he has not been tried (hereinafter called "the patient") is detained in a hospital for the insane or in a hospital for the criminal insane the Attorney-General, if he is of opinion that the question whether the patient is fit to plead if put upon his trial should be determined by a jury, may by order under his hand direct that the patient be removed from the hospital in which he is detained to some gaol appointed by the Attorney-General and specified in the order.
- (2) Such order shall be a sufficient warrant for the removal of the patient from the hospital in which he is detained and for his detention in the gaol appointed by the Attorney-General and specified in the order.
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By Authority:

THOMAS HENRY TENNANT, Government Printer, Sydney, 1946. [3d.]

I certify that this Public Bill, which originated in the Legislative Assembly, has finally passed the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

W. R. McCOURT, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 8 May, 1946.

New South Wales.



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I have examined this Bill, and find it to correspond in all respects with the Bill as finally passed by both Houses.

G. BOOTH,

Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

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In the name and on behalf of His Majesty I assent to this Act.

F. R. JORDAN, Lieutenant-Governor.

Government House, Sydney, 21st May, 1946.