This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

R. E. WARD, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 24 March, 1976.



# ANNO VICESIMO QUINTO ELIZABETHÆ II REGINÆ

#### Act No. , 1976.

An Act to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, in relation to the incorporation of hospitals, the amalgamation of incorporated hospitals and the election and appointment of directors of hospitals; to enable the granting, amendment and revocation of privileges in respect of medical practitioners and dentists; to confer rights of appeal on medical practitioners and dentists against certain decisions of hospital boards and recommendations of credentials committees; to validate certain matters; and to repeal the Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901, and certain other enactments.

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**B**<sup>E</sup> it enacted by the Queen'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 Hospitals Short title. (Amendment) Act, 1976".

 2. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), (4) Commenceand (5), this Act shall commence on the date of assent to ment.
 10 this Act.

(2) Section 4 shall, in its application to a provision of Schedules 1–4, commence or be deemed to have commenced on the day on which that provision commences or is deemed to have commenced, as the case may require.

15 (3) Schedule 1 (9) (a) shall be deemed to have commenced on 1st March, 1935.

(4) Schedule 2 shall commence on such day as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

20 (5) Schedule 3 shall commence on such day, not being earlier than the day appointed and notified under subsection (4) in respect of Schedule 2, as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

25 3. This Act contains the following Schedules :--

Schedules.

SCHEDULE 1.—MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929.

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SCHEDULE 2.—AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS.

SCHEDULE 3.—AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES.

SCHEDULE 4.—Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, by way of Statute Law Revision.

SCHEDULE 5.—REPEALS.

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4. The Public Hospitals Act, 1929, is amended in the Amend-10 manner set forth in Schedules 1–4.

ment of Act No. 8, 1929.

5. (1) Each body known by a name set out under the Validation heading "Corporate Name." in the Second Schedule to the  $\frac{-incorporation of}{Public}$  Hospitals Act, 1929, the name of which was included hospitals. in the Second Schedule to that Act on the commencement of

15 that Act, shall be deemed to be and always to have been validly incorporated under that Act.

(2) Each body known by a name set out under the heading "Corporate Name." in the Second Schedule to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, the name of which was added to
20 the Second Schedule to that Act after the commencement of that Act and before the commencement of this section, shall be deemed to have been validly incorporated under section 18 (2) of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by this Act, as if section 18 (2) of the Public Hospitals Act, had been in force on the date on which the name of that body was added to the Second Schedule to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, but nothing in this subsection affects any power, authority, duty or function

validly exercised or performed by such a body before the 30 commencement of this section.

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6. Subject to this Act, a person who, immediately before Transitional the date of assent to this Act, was a director of a hospital provision—directors. shall continue to be a director and shall hold the office of director on the same terms and conditions as he held that 5 office under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, immediately

before the date of assent to this Act-

- (a) for the same period as he would have held that office under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, had this Act not been enacted; or
- (b) for a period of 5 years from the date of assent to this Act,

whichever is the lesser.

 Each Act specified in Column 1 of Schedule 5 is, to Repeals. the extent specified opposite that Act in Column 2 of Schedule
 15 5, repealed.

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Sec. 4.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929.

(1) Section 3, definition of "Dentist"—

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After the definition of "Commission", insert :---

"Dentist" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Dentists Act, 1934.

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#### SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(2) (a) Section 11 (1) (a)-(b2)-

Omit section 11 (1) (a) and (b), insert instead :---

- (a) to initiate, promote and facilitate the achievement and maintenance of adequate standards of—
  - (i) patient care within hospitals; and
    - (ii) services provided by hospitals;
- (b) to initiate, promote and facilitate the efficient and economic operation of hospitals consistent with the standards referred to in paragraph (a);
- (b1) to make or cause to be made careful inquiry into the standards of—
  - (i) administration and management of any hospital; and
  - (ii) services provided by hospitals;
- (b2) to cause hospitals to be inspected from time to time;
- (b) Section 11 (4)—(6)—

After section 11 (3), insert : ---

(4) The Commission may authorise a person to carry out inspections for the purposes of this section and a person so authorised shall be provided by the Commission with a certificate of his authority in the prescribed form.

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#### MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(5) A person authorised under subsection (4) in exercising or performing in any place any power, authority, duty or function under this section shall, if so required by a person apparently in charge of that place or of any work carried out therein, produce the certificate of his authority to that person.

(6) A person authorised under subsection (4) may at any reasonable time—

- (a) enter and inspect a hospital or associated organisation; and
- (b) without limiting the generality of paragraph (a)—
  - (i) make such examination and inquiry as he thinks necessary to assist the Commission in the performance of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this section;
  - (ii) take copies of, or extracts or notes from, any accounts, records, books, documents or other things at any hospital or associated organisation; and
  - (iii) require any person to produce any accounts, records, books, documents, goods or other things in the possession or under the control of that person which relate to, or which the person authorised SCHEDULE

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# SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

> under subsection (4) believes on reasonable grounds relate to, the operation or administration of any hospital or associated organisation.

(3) (a) Section 14 (1) (a)—

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# Omit "the subscribers for the time being thereto".

(b) Section 14 (1) (e)—

Omit "of members of boards of the new hospital to be held pursuant to this Act when they shall all go out of office and a new board shall be elected in accordance with this Act, and any member of the retiring board (if otherwise qualified) shall be eligible for re-election pursuant to the provisions of Part V", insert instead "or the next appointment of members of the board of the new hospital in accordance with this Act when they shall all go out of office and any member of the retiring board shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election or reappointment in accordance with this Act".

25 (4) Section 18 (2)—

Omit the subsection, insert instead :—

(2) Upon the publication of an order in the Gazette under section 4 (2) adding the name of a hospital to the Second Schedule—

(a) if the hospital is not a body corporate—the hospital shall thereby be constituted a body corporate under this Part; or

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#### MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) if the hospital is a body corporate—the hospital shall cease to be that body corporate and shall thereby be constituted a body corporate under this Part,

with the corporate name set out in the order.

- (5) Section 19 (1) (b)—
- 10 After "body corporate", insert "but land vested in the Commission shall not become vested in the body corporate".

(6) Section 20—

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After "body corporate" where secondly occurring, insert "to acquire land by purchase, lease or exchange or".

(7) Section 21—

Omit the section.

- (8) Section 21A—
- 20 Before section 22, insert :—

21A. In this Part—

Interpretation:

"appointed director" means a director appointed by Pt. V. the Minister under section 22 (2);

"elected director" means a director elected by the subscribers of a hospital.

(9) (a) Section 22 (1A)—

Omit "On and from the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, each board of a hospital incorporated under the provisions of this Act shall be reconstituted and", insert instead "Each board of a hospital incorporated under the provisions of this Act".

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MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) Section 22 (1A)—

Omit "and appointed", insert instead ", appointed or partly elected and partly appointed".

(c) Section 22 (2)—(2B)—

Omit section 22 (2), insert instead :---

(2) The Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint the directors of the board.

(2A) Notwithstanding subsection (2), the Minister may from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, fix, either generally or with reference to a particular hospital, the number of directors who shall be elected directors.

(2B) The Commission may from time to time, by order published in the Gazette, determine, with reference to a particular hospital, classes of persons who shall be subscribers of that hospital and may, by the same or a subsequent like order, determine the number of directors to be elected by the subscribers of any class.

(10) Section 23c (2), (3)—

At the end of section 23c, insert :---

(2) Subject to this Act, the term of office of a director shall be—

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(a) in the case of an elected director—such term as may be prescribed; and

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> (b) in the case of an appointed director—such term, not exceeding 5 years, as may be specified in the notification of his appointment.

(3) A director shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election or re-appointment from time to time.

(11) (a) Section 24 (2) (b)—

After "hospital;", insert "or".

(b) Section 24 (2) (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i)— Omit the paragraphs.

15 (12) Sections 24A, 24B-

After section 24, insert :---

24A. (1) A director shall be deemed to have vacation vacated his office—

(a) if he dies;

(b) if he is absent without the leave of the board from 3 consecutive meetings or from 40 per centum of the meetings of the board in any hospital year;

(c) if he resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Minister and the Minister accepts his resignation;

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#### MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

- (d) if he becomes bankrupt, applies to take the benefit of any law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his remuneration for their benefit;
- (e) if he becomes a temporary patient, a continued treatment patient, a protected person or an incapable person within the meaning of the Mental Health Act, 1958, or a person under detention under Part VII of that Act;
- (f) if he is convicted in New South Wales of a felony or of a misdemeanour punishable by imprisonment for 12 months or upwards, or if he is convicted elsewhere than in New South Wales of an offence which, if committed in New South Wales, would be a felony or a misdemeanour so punishable;
- (g) if, at any meeting of the board at which he is present and at which any agreement or proposed agreement in which he has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest, or any other matter in which he has such an interest, is the subject of consideration or is included on the agenda for consideration—
  - (i) he fails, as soon as practicable after the commencement of the meeting, to disclose to the meeting his interest in; or

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> (ii) he takes part in the consideration or discussion of, or votes on any question with respect to,

the agreement, proposed agreement or other matter;

- (h) if he is removed from office by the Minister; or
- (i) on the day on which he attains the age of 70 years.

(2) The Minister may, for any cause which to him seems sufficient, remove any director from office.

(3) A director shall, for the purposes of subsection (1) (g), be deemed not to have a pecuniary interest in an agreement, proposed agreement or other matter if—

(a) the interest is less than \$200 in any hospital year;

(i) a corporate body; or

 (ii) an unincorporate body, consisting of more than 20 persons and of which he is neither a director, manager nor partner; or

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<sup>(</sup>b) the interest is an interest in common with the members of—

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MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(c) the Commission, having regard to the interests of the hospital and the circumstances of the case, declares by resolution that the interest is not an interest to which subsection (1) (g) applies.

24B. On the occurrence of a vacancy in the office Filling of a director otherwise than by the expiration of casual vacancy. the term for which he was elected or appointed, the Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to hold office as a director for the balance of his predecessor's term of office.

**15** (13) Section 25—

Omit the section.

(14) (a) Section 29<sub>J</sub> (b)—

Omit "alter", insert instead "by altering".

(b) Section 29J (c)—

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Omit the paragraph, insert instead : —

- (c) by removing the name of a hospital from that Schedule where—
  - (i) the Commission has closed that hospital; or
  - (ii) the name of that hospital is added to the Second Schedule.

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SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(15) Sections 29K, 29L—

After section 29J, insert :---

29ĸ. (1) In this section—

Preservation of certain

- "appointed day", in relation to a hospital, means rights of the day on which the Governor removes the members name of that hospital from the Fifth ferred Schedule and adds the name of that hospital hospitals, to the Second Schedule;
- "transferred hospital" means a hospital the name of which is removed from the Fifth Schedule and added to the Second Schedule.

(2) A person who, immediately before the appointed day, was an employee of a transferred hospital shall, on that day, be an employee of that hospital.

(3) A person referred to in subsection (2)—

(a) shall be paid salary or wages at a rate not less than the rate which was payable to him immediately before the appointed day, subject to any adjustment necessary to give effect to any fluctuation in a basic or minimum wage by reference to which his salary or wages is or are fixed, until the salary or wages payable to him is or are varied or altered pursuant to the award of a competent tribunal or an industrial agreement; and

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(b) shall retain any rights which, immediately before the appointed day, had accrued or were accruing to him as an employee within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1916, and shall continue to make contributions to any fund or account and shall be entitled to receive any payment or pension as if he had continued to be an employee within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1916.

(4) In respect of a person liable to make contributions referred to in subsection (3) (b), the transferred hospital shall pay to the State Superannuation Board such contributions and payments as would have been payable by the Government of New South Wales if that person had remained a member of the public service and had been paid salary or wages at the rate paid to him by the transferred hospital.

(5) Where any condition of employment of a person referred to in subsection (2) was, immediately before the appointed day, regulated by an award or industrial agreement or agreement made under or in pursuance of the Public Service Act, 1902, that condition shall continue to be so regulated until an award of a competent tribunal by which the transferred hospital is bound or an industrial agreement is made regulating that condition.

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(6) Annual, sick and long service leave shall continue to accrue to a person referred to in subsection (2) on the same basis as they accrued to him as an officer or employee of the public service immediately before the appointed day until that basis is varied or altered by the board of the transferred hospital.

(7) For the purpose of calculating the entitlement to long service leave of a person referred to in subsection (2)—

(a) any service of that person which, by the terms of an Act or an award of a competent tribunal or an industrial agreement was, immediately before the appointed day, required to be taken into account for the purpose of determining his entitlement to that leave as a member of the public service shall be deemed to be service with the transferred hospital; and

(b) there shall be deducted from any long service leave to which that person becomes entitled as an employee of the transferred hospital, any long service leave already taken by him in respect of any period of service referred to in paragraph (a).

(8) A person referred to in subsection (2) shall be entitled, as an employee of the transferred hospital, to any annual leave or sick leave accrued to him as a member of the public service as at the appointed day.

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(9) A person referred to in subsection (2) shall not, in respect of the same period of service, be entitled to claim a benefit under this Act and another Act.

(10) Nothing in this section affects the operation of any of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940.

29L. (1) In this section—

Preservation of certain rights of members of new incorporated

"appointed day" has the meaning ascribed rights of thereto in section 29k (1);

"date of amalgamation", in relation to a new incorporated hospital, means the date hospitals, referred to in section 14 (1) (a) relating to that hospital;

"new incorporated hospital" means a hospital incorporated as a consequence of the amalgamation of a transferred hospital with an incorporated hospital;

"transferred hospital" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section  $29\kappa$  (1).

(2) Where a transferred hospital is amalgamated with an incorporated hospital, a person who, immediately before the appointed day, was an employee of the transferred hospital and who, immediately before the date of amalgamation, remains an employee of the transferred hospital shall, on the date of amalgamation, be an employee of the new incorporated hospital.

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#### SCHEDULE 1—continued.

#### MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(3) Subsections (3), (4), (5), (6), (7),
(8) and (9) of section 29k apply to a person referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply to a person referred to in section 29k
(2) and in so applying those subsections, a reference to—

- (a) section 29κ (2) shall be construed as a reference to subsection (2);
- (b) the appointed day shall be construed as a reference to the date of amalgamation;
- (c) a transferred hospital shall be construed as a reference to the new incorporated hospital; and
- (d) an officer or employee of the public service or a member of the public service shall be construed as a reference to an employee of the transferred hospital.

(4) Nothing in this section affects the operation of any of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940.

(16) Section 33c—

25 Omit the section.

(17) Section 40 (4)—

Omit the subsection.

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#### SCHEDULE 2.

Sec. 4.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, Relating to Appeals.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

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Before the matter relating to Part VII, insert :---

PART VIB.—APPEALS.

(2) Part VIB—

Before Part VII, insert :---

### PART VIB.

#### APPEALS.

33G. In this Part-

Interpretation:

"appellant" means a person who appeals under Pt. VIB. section 331;

"board", in relation to the hospital constituted under the Prince Alfred Hospital Act, 1902, includes a board constituted in accordance with section 21 of that Act;

"Chairman" means chairman of the Committee:

"Committee" means Committee of Review appointed by the Commission under section 33J (3);

"visiting practitioner", in relation to a hospital, means a medical practitioner or dentist appointed to perform work as a medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, at that hospital otherwise than as an employee.

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#### SCHEDULE 2-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

33H. Where a board—	Board to state
(a) appoints or re-appoints a person as a visiting	reasons for certain
practitioner subject to conditions;	decisions.

- (b) fails to re-appoint a person as a visiting practitioner; or
- (c) suspends or terminates the appointment of a person as a visiting practitioner,

that board shall give notice in writing to that person within 7 days of the date of its decision stating the reasons for its decision.

331. Where a person is dissatisfied with—

Appeals.

- (a) a decision of a board concerning a condition of his appointment as a visiting practitioner;
- (b) a decision of a board or the failure or refusal of a board to make a decision within 30 days of the date of a request from that person to do so concerning his re-appointment as a visiting practitioner; or
- (c) a decision of a board concerning the suspension or termination of his appointment as a visiting practitioner,

he may appeal to the Commission.

33J. (1) An appellant shall, in the prescribed form Notice of and manner, give notice to the Commission of the appeal. grounds of his appeal.

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#### SCHEDULE 2—continued.

#### AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

(2) A notice under subsection (1) shall be given within 1 month, or within such longer period as the Commission may allow, of—

- (a) the date of the decision of the board against which the appeal is made; or
- (b) the date of expiration of the period of 30 days referred to in section 331 (b),

as the case may be.

(3) On receipt of a notice under subsection (1)—

(a) the Commission may determine the appeal; or

(b) the Commission may, by resolution, decide to appoint a Committee of Review to determine the appeal.

33K. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), a Constitution Committee shall consist of—

- (a) where any reason for the decision of the board appealed against relates to the professional standard or ability of the appellant or where the ground of the appeal is that a board has failed or refused to make a decision within 30 days of the date of a request from the appellant to do so concerning his re-appointment as a visiting practitioner—
  - (i) either 3 or 5 persons nominated by the Commission, one of whom shall be nominated by the Commission as the Chairman;

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#### SCHEDULE 2—continued.

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- (ii) a person nominated by the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made; and
- (iii) a person nominated by the appellant; or
- (b) except as provided in paragraph (a)—
  - (i) a person nominated by the Commission who shall be the Chairman;
  - (ii) a person nominated by the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made; and
  - (iii) a person nominated by the appellant.

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- (2) A person shall not be appointed—
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  (1) (a) unless he is a medical practitioner where the appellant is a medical practitioner or a dentist where the appellant is a dentist; or
- (b) in pursuance of a nomination under subsection
  (1) (b) (ii) or (iii) unless the Commission is satisfied that the person nominated is sufficiently experienced in the conduct of hospitals to warrant his being appointed.

(3) If the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made or the appellant fails to nominate a person for appointment to the Committee within such time as may be notified to it or him by the Commission, the Commission may nominate a person who shall be a

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#### SCHEDULE 2—continued.

#### AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

medical practitioner, a dentist or a person sufficiently experienced in the conduct of hospitals to warrant his being appointed, as the case may be, as if it were the party entitled to make the nomination under subsection (1).

(4) A decision of the Commission as to whether a Committee should be constituted as provided by subsection (1) (a) or (b) shall be final.

33L. The Commission or Chairman, as the case Date and may be, shall fix a date, being a date as soon as hearing. practicable after the date on which the notice of appeal was received by the Commission, and a place for the hearing of the appeal and shall give 7 days' notice thereof to the parties to the proceedings.

33M. (1) In any proceedings before the Commis-Right of sion or a Committee, the parties to the proceedings appearance. may appear in person or by an agent but no party shall be represented by counsel or a solicitor except with the consent of all parties and by leave of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be.

(2) The proceedings may, at the discretion of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be, be conducted wholly or partly in camera.

33N. (1) The Commission or a Committee shall, Powers for the purposes of the appeal, have the powers, of and procedure authorities, protections and immunities conferred by before the the Royal Commissions Act, 1923, on a commissioner or a Comand the chairman of a commission respectively, mittee. appointed under Division 1 of Part II of that Act, and SCHEDULE

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that Act, Division 2 of Part II excepted, shall apply to any witness summoned by or appearing before the Commission or a Committee, as the case may be, in the same way as it applies to any witness summoned by or appearing before a commission.

(2) The decision of the Chairman upon any question of law or procedure which may arise before a Committee shall be the decision of the Committee.

330. (1) The Commission or a Committee shall Determindetermine the appeal and may make such order with appeal. respect to the matters in section 331 as to the Commission or Committee, as the case may be, seems proper.

(2) Where a Committee is appointed to hear an appeal, the Chairman shall notify the Commission in writing of the Committee's order.

33P. An order of the Commission or a Committee Effect and implemenunder section 330-

tation of order.

(a) shall have effect from the date thereof; and

(b) shall be deemed to be the final decision of the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made and shall be given effect to accordingly.

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#### SCHEDULE 3.

Sec. 4.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, Relating to Privileges.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

After the matter relating to Part V, insert :---

DIVISION 1.—General.

#### DIVISION 2.—Privileges.

(2) (a) Section 3, definition of "Credentials committee"—

After the definition of "Commission", insert :---

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"Credentials committee", in relation to a hospital, means a committee established in accordance with the regulations made under this Act, being a committee so established in relation to that hospital or a group of hospitals to which that hospital belongs to make recommendations to the board of that hospital or a board of a hospital of that group, as the case may be, that a privilege be granted to a medical practitioner or a dentist or that a privilege granted to a medical practitioner or a dentist be amended or revoked.

# (b) Section 3, definition of "Privilege"-

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- After the definition of "Private hospital", insert :---
  - "Privilege", in relation to a medical practitioner or a dentist, means an accreditation granted by a board, on the

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#### SCHEDULE 3—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

> recommendation of a credentials committee, accrediting that medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, to perform in the hospital governed and managed by that board such work as a medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, as is specified in the instrument by which that accreditation is granted.

(3) Part V, heading to Division 1—

Before section 21A, insert :---

#### DIVISION 1.—General.

(4) Section 21A—

Omit "Part", insert instead "Division".

(5) Part V, Division 2-

After section 29A, insert :---

#### DIVISION 2.—Privileges.

29AA. Where regulations have been made under Board may section 29AB, a board may refuse to allow a medical performpractitioner or a dentist to perform any work as a ance of medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, certain work. in the hospital governed and managed by that board—

(a) if he is not the holder of a privilege granted in respect of that work under the regulations made under section 29AB; or

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#### SCHEDULE 3—continued.

#### AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(b) if, in the opinion of the board, he is unsuitable to perform that work.

29AB. (1) The Governor may, on the recommen-Reguladation of the Commission, make regulations for or with respect to—

- (a) the granting of privileges to medical practitioners and dentists, whether or not as employees of hospitals;
- (b) the establishment of credentials committees;
- (c) the qualification, appointment and term of office of members of credentials committees;

(d) the proceedings of credentials committees;

- (e) the powers, authorities, duties and functions of credentials committees;
- (f) the delineation of privileges;
- (g) the amendment and revocation of privileges;
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- (h) the persons by whom an application for the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges may be made;
- (i) the making of applications for the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges; and

(j) the forms to be used for the purposes of any application to or proceedings before a credentials committee or a board.

(2) Regulations may be made so as to apply differently according to such factors as may be specified in the regulations.

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SCHEDULE 3—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(6) (a) Section 33H (b)—

Omit "or".

(b) Section 33H (c)—

Omit "practitioner,", insert instead "practitioner; or".

(c) Section 33H (d)—

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After section 33H (c), insert :---

(d) does not grant a privilege to a person in accordance with a recommendation made to it with respect to that person by a credentials committee,

15 (7) (a) Section 331 (b)—

Omit "or" where thirdly occurring.

(b) Section 331 (c)—

Omit "practitioner,", insert instead "practitioner;".

20 (c) Section 331 (d), (e)—

After section 331 (c), insert :---

(d) a recommendation of a credentials committee to a board; or

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#### SCHEDULE 3—continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(e) the failure or refusal of a credentials committee to make a recommendation to a board within 30 days of the date of a request from that person to do so,

(8) (a) Section 33J (2) (a)—

Omit "or".

10 (b) Section 33J(2)(a1)—

After section 33<sub>J</sub> (2) (a), insert :—

(a1) the date of the recommendation of the credentials committee against which the appeal is made; or

15 (c) Section 33J (2) (b)—

After "section 331 (b)", insert "or (e)".

(9) (a) Section 33K (1) (a)—

After "appellant" where firstly occurring, insert ", not being a reason relating to a matter referred to in section 331 (d) or (e),".

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(b) Section 33K (1) (a) (iii)—

Omit "or".

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SCHEDULE 3—continued.

Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, Relating to Privileges—continued.

(c) Section 33K (1) (a1)—

After section 33 $\kappa$  (1) (a), insert :—

- (a1) where the ground of the appeal relates solely to a ground referred to in section 331 (d) or (e)—either 3 or 5 persons nominated by the Commission, one of whom shall be nominated by the Commission as the Chairman; or
- (d) Section 33K (1) (b)—

After "paragraph (a)", insert "or (a1)".

(e) Section  $33\kappa$  (2) (a)—

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After "subsection (1) (a)", insert "or (a1)".

(f) Section  $33\kappa$  (4)—

After "subsection (1) (a)", insert ", (a1)".

(10) (a) Section 33P (b)—

After "board", insert "or the final recommendation of the credentials committee, as the case may be,".

(b) Section 33P (b)—

After "decision" where secondly and thirdly occurring, insert "or recommendation,".

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#### SCHEDULE 4.

Sec. 4.

Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, by way of Statute Law Revision.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

5 After the matter relating to Part VI, insert :—

PART VIA.—PRINCE HENRY HOSPITAL.

(2) Section 17 (1)—

Omit "Colonial".

(3) Section 19 (2) (c)—

10 Omit ", as amended from time to time".

(4) Section 29B (3)—

Omit the subsection.

(5) Section 40 (3)—

Omit "or of any Act amending or replacing such provisions,".

(6) (a) Section 42 (2)—

Omit the subsection, insert instead :---

(2) Section 41 of the Interpretation Act, 1897, applies in respect of a regulation made under this Act as if this Act had been passed after the commencement of the Interpretation (Amendment) Act, 1969.

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Public Hospitals (Amendment).

SCHEDULE 4—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, BY WAY OF STATUTE LAW REVISION—continued.

(b) Section 42 (5)—

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After "justices", insert "of the peace".

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# REPEALS.

	Column 1.		Column 2.	
10	Year and number of Act.	Short title of Act.	Extent of repeal.	
	1901, No. 29	Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901.	The whole Act.	
15	1929, No. 8	Public Hospitals Act, 1929.	Section 16 (1).	
	1930, No. 24	Government Relief AdministrationAct, 1930.	Section 7 (1).	
20	1972, No. 63		So much of Part 1 of the Schedule as amended Act No. 29, 1901.	

BY AUTHORITY D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES—1976

# No. , 1976.

# A BILL

To

amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, in relation to the incorporation of hospitals, the amalgamation of incorporated hospitals and the election and appointment of directors of hospitals; to enable the granting, amendment and revocation of privileges in respect of medical practitioners and dentists; to confer rights of appeal on medical practitioners and dentists against certain decisions of hospital boards and recommendations of credentials committees; to validate certain matters; and to repeal the Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901, and certain other enactments.

[MR HEALEY—10 March, 1976.]

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BE it enacted by the Queen'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 Hospitals Short title. (Amendment) Act, 1976".

 2. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), (4) Commenceand (5), this Act shall commence on the date of assent to ment.
 10 this Act.

(2) Section 4 shall, in its application to a provision of Schedules 1–4, commence or be deemed to have commenced on the day on which that provision commences or is deemed to have commenced, as the case may require.

15 (3) Schedule 1 (9) (a) shall be deemed to have commenced on 1st March, 1935.

(4) Schedule 2 shall commence on such day as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

20 (5) Schedule 3 shall commence on such day, not being earlier than the day appointed and notified under subsection (4) in respect of Schedule 2, as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

25 3. This Act contains the following Schedules :----

Schedules.

SCHEDULE 1.—MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929.

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Act No. , 1976.

#### Public Hospitals (Amendment).

SCHEDULE 2.—Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, Relating to Appeals.

SCHEDULE 3.—Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, Relating to Privileges.

SCHEDULE 4.—Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, by way of Statute Law Revision.

SCHEDULE 5.—REPEALS.

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4. The Public Hospitals Act, 1929, is amended in the Amendment of Act No.

Act No. 8, 1929. 3

**5.** (1) Each body known by a name set out under the Validation heading "Corporate Name." in the Second Schedule to the  $\frac{-incorporation}{portion}$  of Public Hospitals Act, 1929, the name of which was included hospitals. in the Second Schedule to that Act on the commencement of

15 that Act, shall be deemed to be and always to have been validly incorporated under that Act.

(2) Each body known by a name set out under the heading "Corporate Name." in the Second Schedule to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, the name of which was added to
20 the Second Schedule to that Act after the commencement of that Act and before the commencement of this section, shall be deemed to have been validly incorporated under section 18 (2) of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by this Act, as if section 18 (2) of the Public Hospitals Act,

25 1929, as amended by this Act, had been in force on the date on which the name of that body was added to the Second Schedule to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, but nothing in this subsection affects any power, authority, duty or function validly exercised or performed by such a body before the 30 commencement of this section.

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6. Subject to this Act, a person who, immediately before Transitional the date of assent to this Act, was a director of a hospital provision—directors. shall continue to be a director and shall hold the office of directors on the same terms and conditions as he held that

5 office under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, immediately before the date of assent to this Act—

- (a) for the same period as he would have held that office under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, had this Act not been enacted; or
- (b) for a period of 5 years from the date of assent to this Act,

whichever is the lesser.

7. Each Act specified in Column 1 of Schedule 5 is, to Repeals. the extent specified opposite that Act in Column 2 of Schedule 15 5, repealed.

#### SCHEDULE 1.

Sec. 4.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929.

(1) Section 3, definition of "Dentist"—

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After the definition of "Commission", insert :---

"Dentist" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Dentists Act, 1934.

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Public Hospitals (Amendment). SCHEDULE 1-continued. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929-continued. (2) (a) Section 11 (1) (a)-(b2)-Omit section 11 (1) (a) and (b), insert instead :---(a) to initiate, promote and facilitate the achievement and maintenance of adequate standards of-(i) patient care within hospitals; and (ii) services provided by hospitals; (b) to initiate, promote and facilitate the efficient and economic operation of hospitals consistent with the standards referred to in paragraph (a); (b1) to make or cause to be made careful inquiry into the standards of-

- (i) administration and management of any hospital; and
- (ii) services provided by hospitals;
- (b2) to cause hospitals to be inspected from time to time;
- (b) Section 11 (4)—(6)—

After section 11 (3), insert : ---

(4) The Commission may authorise a person to carry out inspections for the purposes of this section and a person so authorised shall be provided by the Commission with a certificate of his authority in the prescribed form.

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# SCHEDULE 1-continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(5) A person authorised under subsection (4) in exercising or performing in any place any power, authority, duty or function under this section shall, if so required by a person apparently in charge of that place or of any work carried out therein, produce the certificate of his authority to that person.

(6) A person authorised under subsection (4) may at any reasonable time—

- (a) enter and inspect a hospital or associated organisation; and
- (b) without limiting the generality of paragraph (a)—
  - (i) make such examination and inquiry as he thinks necessary to assist the Commission in the performance of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this section;
  - (ii) take copies of, or extracts or notes from, any accounts, records, books, documents or other things at any hospital or associated organisation; and
  - (iii) require any person to produce any accounts, records, books, documents, goods or other things in the possession or under the control of that person which relate to, or which the person authorised SCHEDULE

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SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

> under subsection (4) believes on reasonable grounds relate to, the operation or administration of any hospital or associated organisation.

(3) (a) Section 14 (1) (a)—

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Omit "the subscribers for the time being thereto".

(b) Section 14 (1) (e)—

Omit "of members of boards of the new hospital to be held pursuant to this Act when they shall all go out of office and a new board shall be elected in accordance with this Act, and any member of the retiring board (if otherwise qualified) shall be eligible for re-election pursuant to the provisions of Part V", insert instead "or the next appointment of members of the board of the new hospital in accordance with this Act when they shall all go out of office and any member of the retiring board shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election or reappointment in accordance with this Act".

25 (4) Section 18 (2)-

Omit the subsection, insert instead :---

(2) Upon the publication of an order in the Gazette under section 4 (2) adding the name of a hospital to the Second Schedule—

(a) if the hospital is not a body corporate—the hospital shall thereby be constituted a body corporate under this Part; or

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# SCHEDULE 1—continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) if the hospital is a body corporate—the hospital shall cease to be that body corporate and shall thereby be constituted a body corporate under this Part,

with the corporate name set out in the order.

- (5) Section 19 (1) (b)—
- 10 After "body corporate", insert "but land vested in the Commission shall not become vested in the body corporate".

(6) Section 20—

After "body corporate" where secondly occurring, insert "to acquire land by purchase, lease or exchange or".

(7) Section 21— Omit the section.

(8) Section 21A-

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21A. In this Part—

Before section 22, insert :---

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"appointed director" means a director appointed by Pt. v. the Minister under section 22 (2);

"elected director" means a director elected by the subscribers of a hospital.

(9) (a) Section 22 (1A)-

Omit "On and from the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, each board of a hospital incorporated under the provisions of this Act shall be reconstituted and", insert instead "Each board of a hospital incorporated under the provisions of this Act".

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# SCHEDULE 1-continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) Section 22 (1A)—

Omit "and appointed", insert instead ", appointed or partly elected and partly appointed".

(c) Section 22 (2)—(2B)—

Omit section 22 (2), insert instead :---

(2) The Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint the directors of the board.

(2A) Notwithstanding subsection (2), the Minister may from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, fix, either generally or with reference to a particular hospital, the number of directors who shall be elected directors.

(2B) The Commission may from time to time, by order published in the Gazette, determine, with reference to a particular hospital, classes of persons who shall be subscribers of that hospital and may, by the same or a subsequent like order, determine the number of directors to be elected by the subscribers of any class.

(10) Section 23c (2), (3)—

At the end of section 23c, insert :---

(2) Subject to this Act, the term of office of a director shall be—

(a) in the case of an elected director—such term as may be prescribed; and

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> (b) in the case of an appointed director—such term, not exceeding 5 years, as may be specified in the notification of his appointment.

(3) A director shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election or re-appointment from time to time.

(11) (a) Section 24 (2) (b)—

After "hospital;", insert "or".

(b) Section 24 (2) (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i)— Omit the paragraphs.

15 (12) Sections 24A, 24B-

After section 24, insert :---

24A. (1) A director shall be deemed to have vacation vacated his office—

(a) if he dies;

(b) if he is absent without the leave of the board from 3 consecutive meetings or from 40 per centum of the meetings of the board in any hospital year;

(c) if he resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Minister and the Minister accepts his resignation;

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MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT. 1929—continued.

- (d) if he becomes bankrupt, applies to take the benefit of any law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his remuneration for their benefit;
- (e) if he becomes a temporary patient, a continued treatment patient, a protected person or an incapable person within the meaning of the Mental Health Act, 1958, or a person under detention under Part VII of that Act;
- (f) if he is convicted in New South Wales of a felony or of a misdemeanour punishable by imprisonment for 12 months or upwards, or if he is convicted elsewhere than in New South Wales of an offence which, if committed in New South Wales, would be a felony or a misdemeanour so punishable;
- (g) if, at any meeting of the board at which he is present and at which any agreement or proposed agreement in which he has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest, or any other matter in which he has such an interest, is the subject of consideration or is included on the agenda for consideration—
  - (i) he fails, as soon as practicable after the commencement of the meeting, to disclose to the meeting his interest in; or

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> (ii) he takes part in the consideration or discussion of, or votes on any question with respect to,

the agreement, proposed agreement or other matter;

- (h) if he is removed from office by the Minister; or
- (i) on the day on which he attains the age of 70 years.

(2) The Minister may, for any cause which to him seems sufficient, remove any director from office.

(3) A director shall, for the purposes of subsection (1) (g), be deemed not to have a pecuniary interest in an agreement, proposed agreement or other matter if—

- (a) the interest is less than \$200 in any hospital year;
- (b) the interest is an interest in common with the members of—

(i) a corporate body; or

 (ii) an unincorporate body, consisting of more than 20 persons and of which he is neither a director, manager nor partner; or

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MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

> (c) the Commission, having regard to the interests of the hospital and the circumstances of the case, declares by resolution that the interest is not an interest to which subsection (1) (g) applies.

24B. On the occurrence of a vacancy in the office Filling of a director otherwise than by the expiration of casual vacancy. the term for which he was elected or appointed, the Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to hold office as a director for the balance of his predecessor's term of office.

15 (13) Section 25—

Omit the section.

(14) (a) Section 29<sub>J</sub> (b)—

Omit "alter", insert instead "by altering".

(b) Section 29<sub>J</sub> (c)—

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Omit the paragraph, insert instead : ----

- (c) by removing the name of a hospital from that Schedule where—
  - (i) the Commission has closed that hospital; or
  - (ii) the name of that hospital is added to the Second Schedule.

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SCHEDULE 1-continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(15) Sections 29K, 29L-

After section 29J, insert :---

29ĸ. (1) In this section-

Preservation of certain

"appointed day", in relation to a hospital, means rights of the day on which the Governor removes the members name of that hospital from the Fifth ferred Schedule and adds the name of that hospital hospitals, to the Second Schedule;

"transferred hospital" means a hospital the name of which is removed from the Fifth Schedule and added to the Second Schedule.

(2) A person who, immediately before the appointed day, was an employee of a transferred hospital shall, on that day, be an employee of that hospital.

(3) A person referred to in subsection (2)—

(a) shall be paid salary or wages at a rate not less than the rate which was payable to him immediately before the appointed day, subject to any adjustment necessary to give effect to any fluctuation in a basic or minimum wage by reference to which his salary or wages is or are fixed, until the salary or wages payable to him is or are varied or altered pursuant to the award of a competent tribunal or an industrial agreement; and

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(b) shall retain any rights which, immediately before the appointed day, had accrued or were accruing to him as an employee within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1916, and shall continue to make contributions to any fund or account and shall be entitled to receive any payment or pension as if he had continued to be an employee within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1916.

(4) In respect of a person liable to make contributions referred to in subsection (3) (b), the transferred hospital shall pay to the State Superannuation Board such contributions and payments as would have been payable by the Government of New South Wales if that person had remained a member of the public service and had been paid salary or wages at the rate paid to him by the transferred hospital.

(5) Where any condition of employment of a person referred to in subsection (2) was, immediately before the appointed day, regulated by an award or industrial agreement or agreement made under or in pursuance of the Public Service Act, 1902, that condition shall continue to be so regulated until an award of a competent tribunal by which the transferred hospital is bound or an industrial agreement is made regulating that condition.

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# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(6) Annual, sick and long service leave shall continue to accrue to a person referred to in subsection (2) on the same basis as they accrued to him as an officer or employee of the public service immediately before the appointed day until that basis is varied or altered by the board of the transferred hospital.

(7) For the purpose of calculating the entitlement to long service leave of a person referred to in subsection (2)—

(a) any service of that person which, by the terms of an Act or an award of a competent tribunal or an industrial agreement was, immediately before the appointed day, required to be taken into account for the purpose of determining his entitlement to that leave as a member of the public service shall be deemed to be service with the transferred hospital; and

(b) there shall be deducted from any long service leave to which that person becomes entitled as an employee of the transferred hospital, any long service leave already taken by him in respect of any period of service referred to in paragraph (a).

(8) A person referred to in subsection (2) shall be entitled, as an employee of the transferred hospital, to any annual leave or sick leave accrued to him as a member of the public service as at the appointed day.

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(9) A person referred to in subsection (2) shall not, in respect of the same period of service, be entitled to claim a benefit under this Act and another Act.

(10) Nothing in this section affects the operation of any of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940.

29L. (1) In this section—
"appointed day" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section 29κ (1);
"date of amalgamation", in relation to a new incorporated hospital, means the date referred to in section 14 (1) (a) relating to

"new incorporated hospital" means a hospital incorporated as a consequence of the amalgamation of a transferred hospital with an incorporated hospital;

that hospital;

"transferred hospital" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section  $29\kappa$  (1).

(2) Where a transferred hospital is amalgamated with an incorporated hospital, a person who, immediately before the appointed day, was an employee of the transferred hospital and who, immediately before the date of amalgamation, remains an employee of the transferred hospital shall, on the date of amalgamation, be an employee of the new incorporated hospital.

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# SCHEDULE 1—continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(3) Subsections (3), (4), (5), (6), (7),
(8) and (9) of section 29k apply to a person referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply to a person referred to in section 29k
(2) and in so applying those subsections, a reference to—

- (a) section 29κ (2) shall be construed as a reference to subsection (2);
- (b) the appointed day shall be construed as a reference to the date of amalgamation;
- (c) a transferred hospital shall be construed as a reference to the new incorporated hospital; and
- (d) an officer or employee of the public service or a member of the public service shall be construed as a reference to an employee of the transferred hospital.

(4) Nothing in this section affects the operation of any of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940.

- (16) Section 33c-
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  - (17) Section 40 (4)-

Omit the subsection.

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Public Hospitals (Amendment).

# SCHEDULE 2.

Sec. 4.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

Before the matter relating to Part VII, insert :--

PART VIB.—APPEALS.

(2) Part VIB—

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Before Part VII, insert :---

#### PART VIB.

#### APPEALS.

33G. In this Part-

Interpretation:

- "appellant" means a person who appeals under Pt. VIB. section 331;
- "board", in relation to the hospital constituted under the Prince Alfred Hospital Act, 1902, includes a board constituted in accordance with section 21 of that Act;

"Chairman" means chairman of the Committee;

- "Committee" means Committee of Review appointed by the Commission under section 33J (3);
- "visiting practitioner", in relation to a hospital, means a medical practitioner or dentist appointed to perform work as a medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, at that hospital otherwise than as an employee.

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# SCHEDULE 2—continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

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33н.	Where a board—	Board to state
(a)	appoints or re-appoints a person as a visiting practitioner subject to conditions;	
(b)	fails to re-appoint a person as a visiting practitioner; or	
(c)	suspends or terminates the appointment of a person as a visiting practitioner,	
within	ard shall give notice in writing to that person 7 days of the date of its decision stating the s for its decision.	
331.	Where a person is dissatisfied with-	Appeals.
(a)	a decision of a board concerning a condition of his appointment as a visiting practitioner;	
(b)	a decision of a board or the failure or refusal of a board to make a decision within 30 days of the date of a request from that person to do so concerning his re-appointment as a visiting practitioner; or	
(c)	a decision of a board concerning the suspension or termination of his appointment as a visiting practitioner,	
	practitioner,	

33J. (1) An appellant shall, in the prescribed form Notice of and manner, give notice to the Commission of the appeal.

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# SCHEDULE 2-continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

(2) A notice under subsection (1) shall be given within 1 month, or within such longer period as the Commission may allow, of—

- (a) the date of the decision of the board against which the appeal is made; or
- (b) the date of expiration of the period of 30 days referred to in section 331 (b),

as the case may be.

(3) On receipt of a notice under subsection (1)—

(a) the Commission may determine the appeal; or

(b) the Commission may, by resolution, decide to appoint a Committee of Review to determine the appeal.

33K. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), a Constitution Committee shall consist of—

- (a) where any reason for the decision of the board appealed against relates to the professional standard or ability of the appellant or where the ground of the appeal is that a board has failed or refused to make a decision within 30 days of the date of a request from the appellant to do so concerning his re-appointment as a visiting practitioner—
  - (i) either 3 or 5 persons nominated by the Commission, one of whom shall be nominated by the Commission as the Chairman;

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# SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

- (ii) a person nominated by the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made; and
- (iii) a person nominated by the appellant; or
- (b) except as provided in paragraph (a)—
  - (i) a person nominated by the Commission who shall be the Chairman;
  - (ii) a person nominated by the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made; and
  - (iii) a person nominated by the appellant.

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- (2) A person shall not be appointed—
- (a) in pursuance of a nomination under subsection
   (1) (a) unless he is a medical practitioner where the appellant is a medical practitioner or a dentist where the appellant is a dentist; or
- (b) in pursuance of a nomination under subsection (1) (b) (ii) or (iii) unless the Commission is satisfied that the person nominated is sufficiently experienced in the conduct of hospitals to warrant his being appointed.

(3) If the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made or the appellant fails to nominate a person for appointment to the Committee within such time as may be notified to it or him by the Commission, the Commission may nominate a person who shall be a

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# SCHEDULE 2-continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929. RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

medical practitioner, a dentist or a person sufficiently experienced in the conduct of hospitals to warrant his being appointed, as the case may be, as if it were the party entitled to make the nomination under subsection (1).

(4) A decision of the Commission as to whether a Committee should be constituted as provided by subsection (1) (a) or (b) shall be final.

33L. The Commission or Chairman, as the case Date and may be, shall fix a date, being a date as soon as hearing. practicable after the date on which the notice of appeal was received by the Commission, and a place for the hearing of the appeal and shall give 7 days' notice thereof to the parties to the proceedings.

33M. (1) In any proceedings before the Commis-Right of sion or a Committee, the parties to the proceedings appearance. may appear in person or by an agent but no party shall be represented by counsel or a solicitor except with the consent of all parties and by leave of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be.

(2) The proceedings may, at the discretion of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be, be conducted wholly or partly in camera.

33N. (1) The Commission or a Committee shall, Powers for the purposes of the appeal, have the powers, of and procedure authorities, protections and immunities conferred by before the the Royal Commissions Act, 1923, on a commissioner or a Comand the chairman of a commission respectively, mittee. appointed under Division 1 of Part II of that Act, and **SCHEDULE** 

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# SCHEDULE 2-continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

that Act, Division 2 of Part II excepted, shall apply to any witness summoned by or appearing before the Commission or a Committee, as the case may be, in the same way as it applies to any witness summoned by or appearing before a commission.

(2) The decision of the Chairman upon any question of law or procedure which may arise before a Committee shall be the decision of the Committee.

330. (1) The Commission or a Committee shall Determindetermine the appeal and may make such order with appeal. respect to the matters in section 331 as to the Commission or Committee, as the case may be, seems proper.

(2) Where a Committee is appointed to hear an appeal, the Chairman shall notify the Commission in writing of the Committee's order.

33P. An order of the Commission or a Committee Effect and implemenunder section 330-

tation of order.

(a) shall have effect from the date thereof; and

(b) shall be deemed to be the final decision of the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made and shall be given effect to accordingly.

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# SCHEDULE 3.

Sec. 4.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, Relating to Privileges.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

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#### Section 1 (2)

After the matter relating to Part V, insert :---

DIVISION 1.—General.

**DIVISION 2.**—Privileges.

# (2) (a) Section 3, definition of "Credentials committee"-

After the definition of "Commission", insert :---

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"Credentials committee", in relation to a hospital, means a committee established in accordance with the regulations made under this Act, being a committee so established in relation to that hospital or a group of hospitals to which that hospital belongs to make recommendations to the board of that hospital or a board of a hospital of that group, as the case may be, that a privilege be granted to a medical practitioner or a dentist or that a privilege granted to a medical practitioner or a dentist be amended or revoked.

(b) Section 3, definition of "Privilege"-

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After the definition of "Private hospital", insert :---

"Privilege", in relation to a medical practitioner or a dentist, means an accreditation granted by a board, on the

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# SCHEDULE 3-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

> recommendation of a credentials committee, accrediting that medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, to perform in the hospital governed and managed by that board such work as a medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, as is specified in the instrument by which that accreditation is granted.

(3) Part V, heading to Division 1-

Before section 21A, insert :---

# DIVISION 1.—General.

(4) Section 21A-

Omit "Part", insert instead "Division".

(5) Part V, Division 2-

After section 29A, insert :---

#### **DIVISION 2.**—Privileges.

29AA. Where regulations have been made under Board may section 29AB, a board may refuse to allow a medical performpractitioner or a dentist to perform any work as a ance of medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, certain in the hospital governed and managed by that board—

(a) if he is not the holder of a privilege granted in respect of that work under the regulations made under section 29AB; or

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# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(b) if, in the opinion of the board, he is unsuitable to perform that work.

29AB. (1) The Governor may, on the recommen-Reguladation of the Commission, make regulations for or with respect to—

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# (a) the granting of privileges to medical practitioners and dentists, whether or not as employees of hospitals;

- (b) the establishment of credentials committees;
- (c) the qualification, appointment and term of office of members of credentials committees;

(d) the proceedings of credentials committees;

- (e) the powers, authorities, duties and functions of credentials committees;
- (f) the delineation of privileges;
- (g) the amendment and revocation of privileges;
- (h) the persons by whom an application for the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges may be made;
- (i) the making of applications for the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges; and

(j) the forms to be used for the purposes of any application to or proceedings before a credentials committee or a board.

(2) Regulations may be made so as to apply differently according to such factors as may be specified in the regulations.

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SCHEDULE 3-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(6) (a) Section 33H (b)-

Omit "or".

(b) Section 33H (c)-

Omit "practitioner,", insert instead "practitioner; or".

(c) Section 33H (d)—

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After section 33H (c), insert :---

(d) does not grant a privilege to a person in accordance with a recommendation made to it with respect to that person by a credentials committee,

15 (7) (a) Section 331 (b)—

Omit "or" where thirdly occurring.

(b) Section 331 (c)—

Omit "practitioner,", insert instead "practitioner;".

20 (c) Section 331 (d), (e)—

After section 331 (c), insert :--

(d) a recommendation of a credentials committee to a board; or

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# SCHEDULE 3—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

> (e) the failure or refusal of a credentials committee to make a recommendation to a board within 30 days of the date of a request from that person to do so,

(8) (a) Section 33<sub>J</sub> (2) (a)—

Omit "or".

10 (b) Section 33J (2) (a1)—

After section 33<sub>J</sub> (2) (a), insert :--

(a1) the date of the recommendation of the credentials committee against which the appeal is made; or

15 (c) Section 33J (2) (b)—

After "section 331 (b)", insert "or (e)".

(9) (a) Section 33K (1) (a)—

After "appellant" where firstly occurring, insert ", not being a reason relating to a matter referred to in section 331 (d) or (e),".

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(b) Section 33K (1) (a) (iii)-

Omit "or".

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SCHEDULE 3—continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(c) Section 33K (1) (a1)—

After section 33K (1) (a), insert :--

- (a1) where the ground of the appeal relates solely to a ground referred to in section 331 (d) or (e)—either 3 or 5 persons nominated by the Commission, one of whom shall be nominated by the Commission as the Chairman; or
- (d) Section 33κ (1) (b)—
   After "paragraph (a)", insert "or (a1)".

(e) Section 33K (2) (a)-

After "subsection (1) (a)", insert "or (a1)".

(f) Section 33K (4)—

After "subsection (1) (a)", insert ", (a1)".

(10) (a) Section 33P (b)—

After "board", insert "or the final recommendation of the credentials committee, as the case may be,".

(b) Section 33P (b)—

After "decision" where secondly and thirdly occurring, insert "or recommendation,".

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Public Hospitals (Amendment).

# SCHEDULE 4.

Sec. 4.

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Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, by way of Statute Law Revision.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

5 After the matter relating to Part VI, insert :---

PART VIA.—PRINCE HENRY HOSPITAL.

(2) Section 17 (1)—

Omit "Colonial".

(3) Section 19 (2) (c)—

Omit ", as amended from time to time".

(4) Section 29B (3)—

Omit the subsection.

(5) Section 40 (3)—

Omit "or of any Act amending or replacing such provisions,".

(6) (a) Section 42 (2)-

Omit the subsection, insert instead :--

(2) Section 41 of the Interpretation Act, 1897, applies in respect of a regulation made under this Act as if this Act had been passed after the commencement of the Interpretation (Amendment) Act, 1969.

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Act No. , 1976.

Public Hospitals (Amendment).

SCHEDULE 4-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, BY WAY OF STATUTE LAW REVISION—continued.

(b) Section 42 (5)—

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After "justices", insert "of the peace".

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# REPEALS.

Co		olumn 1.	Column 2.
10 <sub>nu</sub>	Year and umber of Act.	Short title of Act.	Extent of repeal.
19	901, No. 29	Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901.	The whole Act.
15 19	929, No. 8	Public Hospitals Act, 1929.	Section 16 (1).
19	930, No. 24	Government Relief AdministrationAct, 1930.	Section 7 (1).
20 19	972, No. 63	Health Commission Act, 1972.	So much of Part 1 of the Schedule as amended Act No. 29, 1901.

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# PUBLIC HOSPITALS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1976

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

THE objects of this Bill are-

- (a) to enable the Health Commission of New South Wales (hereinafter called "the Commission")—
  - (i) to facilitate further the achievement and maintenance of adequate standards of patient care within hospitals and services provided by hospitals (Schedule 1 (2)); and
  - (ii) in consequence of the repeal of the Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901, to provide for the inspection of hospitals and for this purpose to authorise certain persons to carry out inspections and to confer certain powers of inspection upon them (Schedule 1 (2));
- (b) to provide for the election or appointment of directors on the amalgamation of incorporated hospitals (Schedule 1 (3));
- (c) to facilitate the incorporation of hospitals (Schedule 1 (4));
- (d) to provide that a hospital may acquire real property only with the consent of the Commission (Schedule 1 (6));
- (e) to provide, in such cases as are appropriate, for the persons who shall be subscribers of hospitals (Schedule 1 (7) and (9));
- (f) to provide for the election or appointment of directors to boards of hospitals, the terms of office of directors, the circumstances in which a casual vacancy in the office of a director shall occur and the appointment of persons to fill casual vacancies (Schedule 1 (8), (9), (10), (11) and (12));
- (g) to enable a hospital conducted by the Commission to be governed and managed by a board of directors (Schedule 1 (14) (b));
- (h) to preserve the rights of members of the staff of a hospital conducted by the Commission if that hospital is governed and managed by a board of directors (Schedule 1 (15));
- (i) to remove certain restrictions on the power of the Board of Directors of the Prince Henry Hospital to make appointments to the medical staff of that hospital (Schedule 1 (16));

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- (j) to enable the granting of privileges to medical practitioners and dentists who perform work in hospitals, whether or not as employees, and the amendment and revocation of those privileges by providing for, inter alia—
  - (i) the establishment of credentials committees having power to recommend to hospital boards the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges by those boards in respect of those medical practitioners or dentists; and
  - (ii) the delineation of the privileges which may be granted (Schedule 3);
- (k) to enable a hospital board to refuse to allow a medical practitioner or dentist to perform medical or dental work, as the case may be, in the hospital governed by that board—
  - (i) if he is not the holder of a privilege granted in respect of that work; or
  - (ii) if, in the opinion of that board, he is unsuitable to perform that work (Schedule 3);
- (1) to enable a person dissatisfied with-
  - (i) a recommendation of a credentials committee; or
  - (ii) a decision of a hospital board concerning his appointment or re-appointment as a visiting practitioner,

to appeal to the Commission or to a Committee of Review, and to provide for the hearing and determination of the appeal (Schedules 2 and 3);

- (m) to validate the incorporation of certain hospitals (clause 5);
- (n) to repeal the Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901 (Schedule 5); and
- (o) to make other provisions of a minor, consequential or ancillary character.

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# No. , 1976.

# A BILL

To amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, in relation to the incorporation of hospitals, the amalgamation of incorporated hospitals and the election and appointment of directors of hospitals; to enable the granting, amendment and revocation of privileges in respect of medical practitioners and dentists; to confer rights of appeal on medical practitioners and dentists against certain decisions of hospital boards and recommendations of credentials committees; to validate certain matters; and to repeal the Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901, and certain other enactments.

# [MR HEALEY-10 March, 1976.]

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 $\mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{E}}$  it enacted by the Queen'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 5 follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the "Public Hospitals Short title. (Amendment) Act, 1976".

2. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2), (3), (4) Commenceand (5), this Act shall commence on the date of assent to ment. 10 this Act.

(2) Section 4 shall, in its application to a provision of Schedules 1-4, commence or be deemed to have commenced on the day on which that provision commences or is deemed to have commenced, as the case may require.

(3) Schedule 1 (9) (a) shall be deemed to have 15 commenced on 1st March, 1935.

(4) Schedule 2 shall commence on such day as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

(5) Schedule 3 shall commence on such day, not 20 being earlier than the day appointed and notified under subsection (4) in respect of Schedule 2, as may be appointed by the Governor in respect thereof and as may be notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

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3. This Act contains the following Schedules :----

Schedules.

SCHEDULE 1.—MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929.

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SCHEDULE 2.—Amendments то THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS.

SCHEDULE 3.—AMENDMENTS THE PUBLIC TO HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES.

SCHEDULE 4.—Amendments то THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, BY WAY OF STATUTE LAW **REVISION.** 

SCHEDULE 5.—REPEALS.

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The Public Hospitals Act, 1929, is amended in the Amend-4. ment of 10 manner set forth in Schedules 1-4.

Act No. 8, 1929.

5. (1) Each body known by a name set out under the Validation heading "Corporate Name." in the Second Schedule to the  $\frac{-incorporation}{portion}$  of Public Hospitals Act, 1929, the name of which was included hospitals. in the Second Schedule to that Act on the commencement of

15 that Act, shall be deemed to be and always to have been validly incorporated under that Act.

(2) Each body known by a name set out under the heading "Corporate Name." in the Second Schedule to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, the name of which was added to 20 the Second Schedule to that Act after the commencement of that Act and before the commencement of this section, shall be deemed to have been validly incorporated under section 18 (2) of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by this Act, as if section 18 (2) of the Public Hospitals Act,

25 1929, as amended by this Act, had been in force on the date on which the name of that body was added to the Second Schedule to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, but nothing in this subsection affects any power, authority, duty or function validly exercised or performed by such a body before the 30 commencement of this section.

6. Subject to this Act, a person who, immediately before Transitional the date of assent to this Act, was a director of a hospital provision—directors. shall continue to be a director and shall hold the office of director on the same terms and conditions as he held that

5 office under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, immediately before the date of assent to this Act—

- (a) for the same period as he would have held that office under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, had this Act not been enacted; or
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- (b) for a period of 5 years from the date of assent to this Act,

whichever is the lesser.

7. Each Act specified in Column 1 of Schedule 5 is, to Repeals. the extent specified opposite that Act in Column 2 of Schedule 15 5, repealed.

#### SCHEDULE 1.

Sec. 4.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929.

(1) Section 3, definition of "Dentist"-

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After the definition of "Commission", insert :---

"Dentist" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Dentists Act, 1934.

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SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(2) (a) Section 11 (1) (a)-(b2)-

Omit section 11 (1) (a) and (b), insert instead :---

- (a) to initiate, promote and facilitate the achievement and maintenance of adequate standards of-
  - (i) patient care within hospitals; and
  - (ii) services provided by hospitals;
- (b) to initiate, promote and facilitate the efficient and economic operation of hospitals consistent with the standards referred to in paragraph (a);
- (b1) to make or cause to be made careful inquiry into the standards of-
  - (i) administration and management of any hospital; and
  - (ii) services provided by hospitals;
- (b2) to cause hospitals to be inspected from time to time;
- (b) Section 11 (4)—(6)—

After section 11 (3), insert : ---

(4) The Commission may authorise a person to carry out inspections for the purposes of this section and a person so authorised shall be provided by the Commission with a certificate of his authority in the prescribed form.

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# SCHEDULE 1—continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(5) A person authorised under subsection (4) in exercising or performing in any place any power, authority, duty or function under this section shall, if so required by a person apparently in charge of that place or of any work carried out therein, produce the certificate of his authority to that person.

(6) A person authorised under subsection (4) may at any reasonable time—

- (a) enter and inspect a hospital or associated organisation; and
- (b) without limiting the generality of paragraph (a)—
  - (i) make such examination and inquiry as he thinks necessary to assist the Commission in the performance of its powers, authorities, duties and functions under this section;
  - (ii) take copies of, or extracts or notes from, any accounts, records, books, documents or other things at any hospital or associated organisation; and
  - (iii) require any person to produce any accounts, records, books, documents, goods or other things in the possession or under the control of that person which relate to, or which the person authorised SCHEDULE

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## SCHEDULE 1—continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

under subsection (4) believes on reasonable grounds relate to, the operation or administration of any hospital or associated organisation.

(3) (a) Section 14 (1) (a)—

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Omit "the subscribers for the time being thereto".

(b) Section 14 (1) (e)-

Omit "of members of boards of the new hospital to be held pursuant to this Act when they shall all go out of office and a new board shall be elected in accordance with this Act, and any member of the retiring board (if otherwise qualified) shall be eligible for re-election pursuant to the provisions of Part V", insert instead "or the next appointment of members of the board of the new hospital in accordance with this Act when they shall all go out of office and any member of the retiring board shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election or reappointment in accordance with this Act".

**25** (4) Section 18 (2)—

Omit the subsection, insert instead :---

(2) Upon the publication of an order in the Gazette under section 4 (2) adding the name of a hospital to the Second Schedule—

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(a) if the hospital is not a body corporate—the hospital shall thereby be constituted a body corporate under this Part; or

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# SCHEDULE 1—continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

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## (b) if the hospital is a body corporate—the hospital shall cease to be that body corporate and shall thereby be constituted a body corporate under this Part,

with the corporate name set out in the order.

- (5) Section 19 (1) (b)—
- After "body corporate", insert "but land vested in the Commission shall not become vested in the body corporate".

(6) Section 20—

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After "body corporate" where secondly occurring, insert "to acquire land by purchase, lease or exchange or".

(7) Section 21—

Omit the section.

(8) Section 21A—

20 Before section 22, insert :---

21A. In this Part-

Interpretation:

"appointed director" means a director appointed by Pt. v. the Minister under section 22 (2);

"elected director" means a director elected by the subscribers of a hospital.

(9) (a) Section 22  $(1_A)$ —

Omit "On and from the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, each board of a hospital incorporated under the provisions of this Act shall be reconstituted and", insert instead "Each board of a hospital incorporated under the provisions of this Act".

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# SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) Section 22 (1A)—

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Omit "and appointed", insert instead ", appointed or partly elected and partly appointed".

(c) Section 22 (2)—(2B)—

Omit section 22 (2), insert instead :---

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(2) The Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint the directors of the board.

(2A) Notwithstanding subsection (2), the Minister may from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, fix, either generally or with reference to a particular hospital, the number of directors who shall be elected directors.

(2B) The Commission may from time to time, by order published in the Gazette, determine, with reference to a particular hospital, classes of persons who shall be subscribers of that hospital and may, by the same or a subsequent like order, determine the number of directors to be elected by the subscribers of any class.

(10) Section 23c (2), (3)-

At the end of section 23c, insert :---

(2) Subject to this Act, the term of office of a director shall be—

(a) in the case of an elected director—such term as may be prescribed; and

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SCHEDULE 1-continued.

# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) in the case of an appointed director—such term, not exceeding 5 years, as may be specified in the notification of his appointment.

(3) A director shall, if otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election or re-appointment from time to time.

(11) (a) Section 24 (2) (b)—

After "hospital;", insert "or".

(b) Section 24 (2) (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i)-

Omit the paragraphs.

15 (12) Sections 24A, 24B-

After section 24, insert :---

24A. (1) A director shall be deemed to have vacation of office.

(a) if he dies;

- (b) if he is absent without the leave of the board from 3 consecutive meetings or from 40 per centum of the meetings of the board in any hospital year;
- (c) if he resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Minister and the Minister accepts his resignation;

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#### SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

- (d) if he becomes bankrupt, applies to take the benefit of any law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his remuneration for their benefit;
- (e) if he becomes a temporary patient, a continued treatment patient, a protected person or an incapable person within the meaning of the Mental Health Act, 1958, or a person under detention under Part VII of that Act;
- (f) if he is convicted in New South Wales of a felony or of a misdemeanour punishable by imprisonment for 12 months or upwards, or if he is convicted elsewhere than in New South Wales of an offence which, if committed in New South Wales, would be a felony or a misdemeanour so punishable;
- (g) if, at any meeting of the board at which he is present and at which any agreement or proposed agreement in which he has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest, or any other matter in which he has such an interest, is the subject of consideration or is included on the agenda for consideration—
  - (i) he fails, as soon as practicable after the commencement of the meeting, to disclose to the meeting his interest in; or

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MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

> (ii) he takes part in the consideration or discussion of, or votes on any question with respect to,

the agreement, proposed agreement or other matter;

- (h) if he is removed from office by the Minister; or
- (i) on the day on which he attains the age of 70 years.

(2) The Minister may, for any cause which to him seems sufficient, remove any director from office.

(3) A director shall, for the purposes of subsection (1) (g), be deemed not to have a pecuniary interest in an agreement, proposed agreement or other matter if—

- (a) the interest is less than \$200 in any hospital year;
- (b) the interest is an interest in common with the members of—
  - (i) a corporate body; or
  - (ii) an unincorporate body, consisting of more than 20 persons and of which he is neither a director, manager nor partner; or

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## SCHEDULE 1—continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

> (c) the Commission, having regard to the interests of the hospital and the circumstances of the case, declares by resolution that the interest is not an interest to which subsection (1) (g) applies.

24B. On the occurrence of a vacancy in the office Filling of a director otherwise than by the expiration of casual vacancy. the term for which he was elected or appointed, the Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to hold office as a director for the balance of his predecessor's term of office.

15 (13) Section 25—

Omit the section.

(14) (a) Section 29J (b)—

Omit "alter", insert instead "by altering".

(b) Section 29J (c)—

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Omit the paragraph, insert instead : ----

- (c) by removing the name of a hospital from that Schedule where—
  - (i) the Commission has closed that hospital; or
  - (ii) the name of that hospital is added to the Second Schedule.

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## SCHEDULE 1-continued.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(15) Sections 29K, 29L—

After section 29J, insert :---

29ĸ. (1) In this section—

Preservation of certain

- "appointed day", in relation to a hospital, means rights of the day on which the Governor removes the members name of that hospital from the Fifth ferred Schedule and adds the name of that hospital hospitals, to the Second Schedule;
- "transferred hospital" means a hospital the name of which is removed from the Fifth Schedule and added to the Second Schedule.

(2) A person who, immediately before the appointed day, was an employee of a transferred hospital shall, on that day, be an employee of that hospital.

(3) A person referred to in subsection (2)—

(a) shall be paid salary or wages at a rate not less than the rate which was payable to him immediately before the appointed day, subject to any adjustment necessary to give effect to any fluctuation in a basic or minimum wage by reference to which his salary or wages is or are fixed, until the salary or wages payable to him is or are varied or altered pursuant to the award of a competent tribunal or an industrial agreement; and

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# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(b) shall retain any rights which, immediately before the appointed day, had accrued or were accruing to him as an employee within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1916, and shall continue to make contributions to any fund or account and shall be entitled to receive any payment or pension as if he had continued to be an employee within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1916.

(4) In respect of a person liable to make contributions referred to in subsection (3) (b), the transferred hospital shall pay to the State Superannuation Board such contributions and payments as would have been payable by the Government of New South Wales if that person had remained a member of the public service and had been paid salary or wages at the rate paid to him by the transferred hospital.

(5) Where any condition of employment of a person referred to in subsection (2) was, immediately before the appointed day, regulated by an award or industrial agreement or agreement made under or in pursuance of the Public Service Act, 1902, that condition shall continue to be so regulated until an award of a competent tribunal by which the transferred hospital is bound or an industrial agreement is made regulating that condition.

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# MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(6) Annual, sick and long service leave shall continue to accrue to a person referred to in subsection (2) on the same basis as they accrued to him as an officer or employee of the public service immediately before the appointed day until that basis is varied or altered by the board of the transferred hospital.

(7) For the purpose of calculating the entitlement to long service leave of a person referred to in subsection (2)—

- (a) any service of that person which, by the terms of an Act or an award of a competent tribunal or an industrial agreement was, immediately before the appointed day, required to be taken into account for the purpose of determining his entitlement to that leave as a member of the public service shall be deemed to be service with the transferred hospital; and
- (b) there shall be deducted from any long service leave to which that person becomes entitled as an employee of the transferred hospital, any long service leave already taken by him in respect of any period of service referred to in paragraph (a).

(8) A person referred to in subsection (2) shall be entitled, as an employee of the transferred hospital, to any annual leave or sick leave accrued to him as a member of the public service as at the appointed day.

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MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

> (9) A person referred to in subsection (2) shall not, in respect of the same period of service, be entitled to claim a benefit under this Act and another Act.

> (10) Nothing in this section affects the operation of any of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940.

29L. (1) In this section—

Preservation of certain rights of members of new incorporated hospitals, etc

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"appointed day" has the meaning ascribed rights of thereto in section 29κ (1); members

"date of amalgamation", in relation to a new incorporated hospital, means the date hospitals, referred to in section 14 (1) (a) relating to that hospital;

"new incorporated hospital" means a hospital incorporated as a consequence of the amalgamation of a transferred hospital with an incorporated hospital;

"transferred hospital" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section 29k (1).

(2) Where a transferred hospital is amalgamated with an incorporated hospital, a person who, immediately before the appointed day, was an employee of the transferred hospital and who, immediately before the date of amalgamation, remains an employee of the transferred hospital shall, on the date of amalgamation, be an employee of the new incorporated hospital.

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#### SCHEDULE 1—continued.

## MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929—continued.

(3) Subsections (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8) and (9) of section  $29\kappa$  apply to a person referred to in subsection (2) in the same way as they apply to a person referred to in section  $29\kappa$ (2) and in so applying those subsections, a reference to—

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(a) section 29κ (2) shall be construed as a reference to subsection (2);

- (b) the appointed day shall be construed as a reference to the date of amalgamation;
- (c) a transferred hospital shall be construed as a reference to the new incorporated hospital; and
- (d) an officer or employee of the public service or a member of the public service shall be construed as a reference to an employee of the transferred hospital.

(4) Nothing in this section affects the operation of any of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940.

(16) Section 33c-

25 Omit the section.

(17) Section 40 (4)—

Omit the subsection.

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# SCHEDULE 2.

Sec. 4.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, Relating to Appeals.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

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Before the matter relating to Part VII, insert :---

PART VIB.—APPEALS.

(2) Part VIB—

Before Part VII, insert :---

# PART VIB.

## APPEALS.

33G. In this Part-

Interpretation:

"appellant" means a person who appeals under Pt. VIB. section 331;

"board", in relation to the hospital constituted under the Prince Alfred Hospital Act, 1902, includes a board constituted in accordance with section 21 of that Act;

"Chairman" means chairman of the Committee;

"Committee" means Committee of Review appointed by the Commission under section 33J (3);

"visiting practitioner", in relation to a hospital, means a medical practitioner or dentist appointed to perform work as a medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, at that hospital otherwise than as an employee.

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SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

33H. Where a board—

- (a) appoints or re-appoints a person as a visiting reasons for practitioner subject to conditions;
- (b) fails to re-appoint a person as a visiting practitioner; or
- (c) suspends or terminates the appointment of a person as a visiting practitioner,

that board shall give notice in writing to that person within 7 days of the date of its decision stating the reasons for its decision.

331. Where a person is dissatisfied with—

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Board to

- (a) a decision of a board concerning a condition of his appointment as a visiting practitioner;
- (b) a decision of a board or the failure or refusal of a board to make a decision within 30 days of the date of a request from that person to do so concerning his re-appointment as a visiting practitioner; or
- (c) a decision of a board concerning the suspension or termination of his appointment as a visiting practitioner,

he may appeal to the Commission.

33J. (1) An appellant shall, in the prescribed form Notice of and manner, give notice to the Commission of the <sup>appeal.</sup> grounds of his appeal.

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#### SCHEDULE 2-continued.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO APPEALS—continued.

(2) A notice under subsection (1) shall be given within 1 month, or within such longer period as the Commission may allow, of—

- (a) the date of the decision of the board against which the appeal is made; or
- (b) the date of expiration of the period of 30 days referred to in section 331 (b),

as the case may be.

(3) On receipt of a notice under subsection (1)—

(a) the Commission may determine the appeal; or

(b) the Commission may, by resolution, decide to appoint a Committee of Review to determine the appeal.

33K. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), a Constitution Committee shall consist of—

- (a) where any reason for the decision of the board appealed against relates to the professional standard or ability of the appellant or where the ground of the appeal is that a board has failed or refused to make a decision within 30 days of the date of a request from the appellant to do so concerning his re-appointment as a visiting practitioner—
  - (i) either 3 or 5 persons nominated by the Commission, one of whom shall be nominated by the Commission as the Chairman;

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## AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, **RELATING TO APPEALS**—continued.

- (ii) a person nominated by the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made; and
- (iii) a person nominated by the appellant; or
- (b) except as provided in paragraph (a)—
  - (i) a person nominated by the Commission who shall be the Chairman;
  - (ii) a person nominated by the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made; and
  - (iii) a person nominated by the appellant.

(2) A person shall not be appointed—

- (a) in pursuance of a nomination under subsection (1) (a) unless he is a medical practitioner where the appellant is a medical practitioner or a dentist where the appellant is a dentist; or
- (b) in pursuance of a nomination under subsection (1) (b) (ii) or (iii) unless the Commission is satisfied that the person nominated is sufficiently experienced in the conduct of hospitals to warrant his being appointed.

(3) If the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made or the appellant fails to nominate a person for appointment to the Committee within such time as may be notified to it or him by the Commission, the Commission may nominate a person who shall be a

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medical practitioner, a dentist or a person sufficiently experienced in the conduct of hospitals to warrant his being appointed, as the case may be, as if it were the party entitled to make the nomination under subsection (1).

(4) A decision of the Commission as to whether a Committee should be constituted as provided by subsection (1) (a) or (b) shall be final.

33L. The Commission or Chairman, as the case Date and may be, shall fix a date, being a date as soon as place of hearing. practicable after the date on which the notice of appeal was received by the Commission, and a place for the hearing of the appeal and shall give 7 days' notice thereof to the parties to the proceedings.

33M. (1) In any proceedings before the Commis- Right of sion or a Committee, the parties to the proceedings appearance. may appear in person or by an agent but no party shall be represented by counsel or a solicitor except with the consent of all parties and by leave of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be.

(2) The proceedings may, at the discretion of the Commission or Committee, as the case may be, be conducted wholly or partly in camera.

33N. (1) The Commission or a Committee shall, Powers for the purposes of the appeal, have the powers, of and procedure authorities, protections and immunities conferred by before the the Royal Commissions Act, 1923, on a commissioner or a Comand the chairman of a commission respectively, mittee. appointed under Division 1 of Part II of that Act, and **SCHEDULE** 

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SCHEDULE 2—continued.

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that Act, Division 2 of Part II excepted, shall apply to any witness summoned by or appearing before the Commission or a Committee, as the case may be, in the same way as it applies to any witness summoned by or appearing before a commission.

(2) The decision of the Chairman upon any question of law or procedure which may arise before a Committee shall be the decision of the Committee.

330. (1) The Commission or a Committee shall Determindetermine the appeal and may make such order with appeal. respect to the matters in section 331 as to the Commission or Committee, as the case may be, seems proper.

(2) Where a Committee is appointed to hear an appeal, the Chairman shall notify the Commission in writing of the Committee's order.

33P. An order of the Commission or a Committee Effect and under section 330-

implementation of order.

(a) shall have effect from the date thereof; and

(b) shall be deemed to be the final decision of the board against whose decision or failure or refusal to make a decision the appeal has been made and shall be given effect to accordingly.

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## SCHEDULE 3.

Sec. 4.

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# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, Relating to Privileges.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

After the matter relating to Part V, insert :---

DIVISION 1.—General.

#### DIVISION 2.—Privileges.

(2) (a) Section 3, definition of "Credentials committee"-

After the definition of "Commission", insert :---

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"Credentials committee", in relation to a hospital, means a committee established in accordance with the regulations made under this Act, being a committee so established in relation to that hospital or a group of hospitals to which that hospital belongs to make recommendations to the board of that hospital or a board of a hospital of that group, as the case may be, that a privilege be granted to a medical practitioner or a dentist or that a privilege granted to a medical practitioner or a dentist be amended or revoked.

(b) Section 3, definition of "Privilege"-

After the definition of "Private hospital", insert :---

"Privilege", in relation to a medical practitioner or a dentist, means an accreditation granted by a board, on the

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# SCHEDULE 3-continued.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

recommendation of a credentials committee, accrediting that medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, to perform in the hospital governed and managed by that board such work as a medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, as is specified in the instrument by which that accreditation is granted.

(3) Part V, heading to Division 1—

Before section 21A, insert :---

#### DIVISION 1.—General.

(4) Section 21A-

Omit "Part", insert instead "Division".

(5) Part V, Division 2-

After section 29A, insert :---

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## DIVISION 2.—Privileges.

29AA. Where regulations have been made under Board may section 29AB, a board may refuse to allow a medical performpractitioner or a dentist to perform any work as a ance of medical practitioner or dentist, as the case may be, certain in the hospital governed and managed by that board—

(a) if he is not the holder of a privilege granted in respect of that work under the regulations made under section 29AB; or

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AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(b) if, in the opinion of the board, he is unsuitable to perform that work.

29AB. (1) The Governor may, on the recommen-Reguladation of the Commission, make regulations for or with respect to—

- (a) the granting of privileges to medical practitioners and dentists, whether or not as employees of hospitals;
- (b) the establishment of credentials committees;
- (c) the qualification, appointment and term of office of members of credentials committees;
- (d) the proceedings of credentials committees;
- (e) the powers, authorities, duties and functions of credentials committees;
- (f) the delineation of privileges;
- (g) the amendment and revocation of privileges;
- (h) the persons by whom an application for the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges may be made;
- (i) the making of applications for the granting, amendment or revocation of privileges; and
- (j) the forms to be used for the purposes of any application to or proceedings before a credentials committee or a board.

(2) Regulations may be made so as to apply differently according to such factors as may be specified in the regulations.

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SCHEDULE 3-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(6) (a) Section 33H (b)-

Omit "or".

(b) Section 33H (c)-

Omit "practitioner,", insert instead "practitioner; or".

(c) Section 33H (d)—

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After section 33H (c), insert :--

(d) does not grant a privilege to a person in accordance with a recommendation made to it with respect to that person by a credentials committee,

15 (7) (a) Section 331 (b)—

Omit "or" where thirdly occurring.

(b) Section 331 (c)—

Omit "practitioner,", insert instead "practitioner;".

20 (c) Section 331 (d), (e)-

After section 331 (c), insert :--

(d) a recommendation of a credentials committee to a board; or

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## SCHEDULE 3—continued.

# Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, Relating to Privileges—continued.

(e) the failure or refusal of a credentials committee to make a recommendation to a board within 30 days of the date of a request from that person to do so,

(8) (a) Section 33J (2) (a)—

Omit "or".

10 (b) Section 33J(2)(a1)—

After section 33<sub>J</sub> (2) (a), insert :—

(a1) the date of the recommendation of the credentials committee against which the appeal is made; or

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(c) Section 33J (2) (b)—

After "section 331 (b)", insert "or (e)".

(9) (a) Section 33K (1) (a)—

After "appellant" where firstly occurring, insert ", not being a reason relating to a matter referred to in section 331 (d) or (e),".

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(b) Section  $33\kappa$  (1) (a) (iii)—

Omit "or".

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Public Hospitals (Amendment).

SCHEDULE 3—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES—continued.

(c) Section 33K (1) (a1)—

After section 33K (1) (a), insert :—

- (a1) where the ground of the appeal relates solely to a ground referred to in section 331 (d) or (e)—either 3 or 5 persons nominated by the Commission, one of whom shall be nominated by the Commission as the Chairman; or
- (d) Section  $33\kappa$  (1) (b)—

After "paragraph (a)", insert "or (a1)".

(e) Section  $33\kappa$  (2) (a)—

After "subsection (1) (a)", insert "or (a1)".

(f) Section  $33\kappa$  (4)—

After "subsection (1) (a)", insert ", (a1)".

(10) (a) Section 33P (b)—

After "board", insert "or the final recommendation of the credentials committee, as the case may be,".

(b) Section 33P (b)—

After "decision" where secondly and thirdly occurring, insert "or recommendation,".

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## SCHEDULE 4.

Sec. 4.

Amendments to the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, by way of Statute Law Revision.

(1) Section 1 (2)—

After the matter relating to Part VI, insert :---

Omit ", as amended from time to time".

PART VIA.—PRINCE HENRY HOSPITAL.

(2) Section 17 (1)-

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Omit "Colonial".

(3) Section 19 (2) (c)—

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(4) Section 29B (3)—

Omit the subsection.

(5) Section 40 (3)—

Omit "or of any Act amending or replacing such provisions,".

(6) (a) Section 42 (2)—

Omit the subsection, insert instead :---

(2) Section 41 of the Interpretation Act, 1897, applies in respect of a regulation made under this Act as if this Act had been passed after the commencement of the Interpretation (Amendment) Act, 1969.

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Act No. , 1976.

Public Hospitals (Amendment).

SCHEDULE 4-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HOSPITALS ACT, 1929, BY WAY OF STATUTE LAW REVISION—continued.

(b) Section 42 (5)—

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After "justices", insert "of the peace".

# SCHEDULE 5.

Sec. 7.

# REPEALS.

Column 1.		Column 2.
10 Year and number of Act.	Short title of Act.	Extent of repeal.
1901, No. 29	Public Institutions Inspection Act, 1901.	The whole Act.
15 1929, No. 8	Public Hospitals Act, 1929.	Section 16 (1).
1930, No. 24	Government Relief AdministrationAct, 1930.	Section 7 (1).
20 1972, No. 63	Health Commission Act, 1972.	So much of Part 1 of the Schedule as amended Act No. 29, 1901.

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