

Maori Housing Amendment Act 1985

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An Act to amend the Maori Housing Act 1935

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Short Title

This Act may be cited as the Maori Housing Amendment Act 1985, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Maori Housing Act 1935 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2 Board of Maori Affairs may make advances for the erection and repair of dwellings

- (1) Section 3 of the principal Act (as amended by section 2 of the Maori Purposes Act 1947) is hereby amended by omitting the words “to Maoris”, and substituting the words “to any person”

- (2) Section 6(1) of the principal Act (as amended by section 2 of the Maori Purposes Act 1947) is hereby amended by omitting the words “any Maori”, and substituting the words “any person”.
- (3) Section 9 of the principal Act (as amended by section 2 of the Maori Purposes Act 1947) is hereby amended by omitting the word “Maori” wherever it occurs, and substituting in each case the word “person”.

3 Fixing of fees

- (1) Section 14 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (d), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(d) Empowering the Board to fix, whether by scale or otherwise, the fees and charges payable in respect of advances under this Act, to determine the manner in which any such fees or charges are to be paid, and to allow any refund or remission, in such circumstances as the Board may determine, of any such fees and charges:”.

- (2) Section 31(1) of the Maori Housing Amendment Act 1938 is hereby amended by inserting in paragraph (d), after the word “fees” where it first occurs, the words “(not being fees in respect of advances)”.
- (3) Section 31(1) of the Maori Housing Amendment Act 1938 is hereby further amended by inserting in paragraph (e), after the word “fees”, the words “(not being fees in respect of advances)”.

4 False statements

The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 14a (as inserted by section 9 of the Maori Purposes Act 1965), the following section:

“14b

- “(1) Every person commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 who, for the purpose of obtaining any advance under this Act, whether for that person or for any other person,—
 - “(a) Makes any statement or declaration knowing it to be false in any particular; or
 - “(b) Wilfully misleads or attempts to mislead any other person involved in the granting of advances under this Act.
- “(2) Notwithstanding anything in section 14 of the Summary Proceedings Act 1957, any information for an offence against this Act may be laid at any time within 12 months after the date of the alleged offence.”

This Act is Administered in the Department of Maori Affairs.