

New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Amendment Act 2006

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

- 1 Title**
This Act is the New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Amendment Act 2006.
- 2 Commencement**
This Act comes into force on 1 July 2006.

3 Principal Act amended

This Act amends the New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Act 2001.

4 Living alone payments

Section 13(3)(b) is amended by omitting “or household expenses (including accommodation expenses)”.

5 Entitlement to benefits for spouses or partners of persons receiving means-tested residential disability services

(1) The heading to section 17 is amended by omitting “**receiving means-tested residential disability services**” and substituting “**in long-term residential care in hospital or rest home**”.

(2) Section 17 is amended by repealing subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

“(1) This section applies to any person who is not in long-term residential care and whose spouse or partner is in long-term residential care in a hospital or rest home, whether or not the spouse or partner is a resident assessed as requiring care (within the meaning of section 136 of the Social Security Act 1964).”

6 Living alone rate of payment for spouses or partners of persons receiving means-tested residential disability services

The heading to section 18 is amended by omitting “**receiving means-tested residential disability services**” and substituting “**in long-term residential care in hospital or rest home**”.

7 Absences up to 52 weeks with aid agencies

(1) The heading to section 24 is amended by omitting “**52**” and substituting “**156**”.

(2) Section 24(1)(b) is amended by omitting “**52**” and substituting “**156**”.

Legislative history

21 February 2006	Introduction (Bill 22-1)
1 March 2006	First reading and referral to Social Services Committee
4 May 2006	Reported from Social Services Committee
13 June 2006	Divided from New Zealand Superannuation and Veterans' Pensions (Entitlements of Spouses and Partners of People in Long-term Residential Care and Remedial Matters) Bill (Bill 22-1) as Bill 22-2A
27 June 2006	Third reading
