



ANALYSIS

Title
1. Short Title

2. Power of Court to restrict publication
of name of poison

1964, No. 31

An Act to amend the Poisons Act 1960

[3 November 1964]

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 Poisons Amendment Act 1964, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Poisons Act 1960 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Power of Court to restrict publication of name of poison—The principal Act is hereby amended by repealing section 43, and substituting the following section:

“43. (1) Where, in the course of proceedings in any Court or before a Coroner, reference is made to any poison, the Court or Coroner may in its or his discretion order that the name of that poison shall not be published in relation to those proceedings at any time before the expiration of a period of five years from the date of the final disposal of those proceedings:

“Provided that no order made under this subsection shall apply to the publication of that name to scientists or to members of the legal, medical, dental, veterinary, nursing, or pharmaceutical professions or to persons studying to become scientists or members of those professions or in any

publication of a scientific or technical character solely or mainly intended for circulation among scientists or members of those professions or persons so studying.

“(2) Where the publication of the name of a poison is prohibited under this section in relation to any proceedings no person shall, within the said period of five years, publish the name of that poison or any name or particulars likely to lead to the identification of that poison as the poison to which reference was made in those proceedings.

“(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the provisions of any other enactment relating to the prohibition or regulation of the publication of reports or particulars relating to any judicial proceedings.”

This Act is administered in the Department of Health.
