if in the said subsection (1) thereof the words "twelve months" were substituted for the words "six months."

Amendment of 4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. 59. Sched. 2.

11. Rule 5 of the Second Schedule to the principal Act (which requires the affidavit proving a debt to state whether or not the creditor is a secured creditor) shall have effect as if there were inserted at the end thereof the following provision, that is to say:—

"and if it is found at any time that the affidavit made by or on behalf of a secured creditor has omitted to state that he is a secured creditor, the secured creditor shall surrender his security to the official receiver or trustee for the general benefit of the creditors unless the Court on application is satisfied that the omission has arisen from inadvertence, and in that case the Court may allow the affidavit to be amended upon such terms as to the repayment of any dividends or otherwise as the Court may consider to be just."

Short title, citation and construction.

12.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Act, 1926, and this Act and the principal Act may be cited together as the Bankruptcy Acts, 1914 and 1926.

(2) Except where the context otherwise requires, references in this Act to the principal Act shall be construed as references to that Act as amended by this Act, and this Act shall be construed as one with the principal Act.

CHAPTER 8.

An Act to amend the law with respect to measuring instruments, and with respect to the power to charge fees in connection with the testing of weighing and measuring apparatus.

[16th June 1926.]

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present

Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Definition of measuring instrument. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 21.

1. The definition of "measuring instrument" contained in section thirty-five of the Weights and Measures Act, 1889, shall be extended so as to include any instrument for the measuring of superficial area, or for measurement by counting.

Regulations as to measuring instruments. 4 Edw. 7. c. 28.

2. The power of the Board of Trade to make general regulations under section five of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, shall include power to apply to any such measuring instruments used for trade as are specified in the regulations any of the provisions, including penal provisions, of the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1904, with respect to weights, measures, or weighing instruments, and to make such consequential or supplemental provisions as appear necessary for giving full effect to the regulations.

Power to charge fees in connection with testing, &c., of weighing and measuring apparatus. 13 Geo. 5. c. 4.

3.—(1) Any power conferred by the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1904, or the Fees (Increase) Act, 1923, on the Board of Trade, or on inspectors of weights and measures, to charge fees in respect of the testing, examination, comparison or verification of any weighing or measuring apparatus shall include and be deemed always to have included power to charge fees in respect of the matters aforesaid whether or not the apparatus is found correct or is stamped.

(2) The power of His Majesty under section nine of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, of specifying by Order in Council new fees to be paid in respect of the verification and stamping of weights, measures, and weighing and measuring instruments shall include and be deemed always to have included the power of specifying fees to be paid whether or not the weighing or measuring apparatus is found correct or is stamped.

(3) In this section the expression "weighing or measuring apparatus" includes weights, measures, weighing and measuring instruments, local standards and other standards.

Repeal of 9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. 29.

4. The Weights and Measures (Leather Measurement) Act, 1919, is hereby repealed:

Provided that any regulations made and any certificates given under the powers conferred by that Act shall continue in force and shall have effect as though made or given under the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1904, as amended by this Act.

Short title, citation and extent.

5.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1926, and shall be construed as one with the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1904, and those Acts and this Act may be cited together as the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 to 1926.

(2) This Act shall not apply to Northern Ireland.

CHAPTER 9.

An Act to make provision for reducing in respect of certain services the charges on public funds and for increasing, by means of the payment into the Exchequer of certain sums and otherwise, the funds available for meeting such charges, and to amend accordingly the law relating to national health insurance, unemployment insurance, the registration of electors and the holding of elections, education, bankruptcy and companies winding-up fees and certain other fees, and postmarks, and for purposes related or incidental to the matters aforesaid.

[16th June 1926.]

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

PART I.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE.

Amendment as to proportion of contributions payable

1.—(1) Section four of the National Health Insurance Act, 1924 (in this Part of this Act referred to as "the principal Act"), (which provides for contributions by insured persons, employers and the Treasury), shall be deemed as from the first day of January, nineteen