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Title.

AN ACT for the Readjustment of the Boundaries of Road Districts within the Stratford County and other adjoining Counties.

[8th September, 1891.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS by "The Stratford County Act, 1890," the said county was constituted and its boundaries were defined in manner not in accordance with "The Counties Act, 1886" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), as being made to consist of parts instead of entire road districts: And whereas by Order in Council of the twenty-second day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, the Governor divided the said county into five ridings, most of the boundaries whereof contravened in the same manner as aforesaid the said Act: And whereas doubts have arisen as to the legality of such Order in Council, in consequence of such contravention, and it is expedient to validate such Order in Council, and to readjust the boundaries of the several road districts of the county which have been traversed by the county and riding boundaries aforesaid, and to redefine other portions of the said road districts:

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

Short Title.

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Stratford County Districts Adjustment Act, 1891."

Ridings in Stratford County validated.

2. The above-recited Order in Council is hereby validated for all purposes, and shall be of the same effect as if it had been issued in accordance with all the provisions of the said Act, anything contained in such Order in Council to the contrary notwithstanding.

Adjustment of districts in Stratford County.

3. The following new road districts are hereby constituted within the Stratford County, that is to say:—

Manganui Road District.

(a.) So much of the Moa Road District formerly within the Taranaki County, and which is now included within the

North Riding of the Stratford County, is hereby annexed to that portion of the Manganui Road District within the last-named county which lies within the aforesaid North Riding, and together shall form a new road district of the Stratford County, by the name of the Manganui Road District.

(b.) So much of the aforesaid Manganui Road District as lies within the East Riding of the Stratford County is hereby merged in the said county, and with portions of Clifton and Patea Counties now included in Stratford County, shall form an outlying district thereof.

Outlying district.

(c.) So much of the Ngaire Road District as lies within the South Riding of the Stratford County is hereby constituted a new road district within the said county by the name of the Ngaire Road District.

Ngaire Road District.

(d.) So much of the Waimate Road District formerly within the Hawera County, and which is now included within the West Riding of the Stratford County, together with that portion of the Ngaire Road District within the last-named county as lies within the aforesaid West Riding, shall be merged in the said Stratford County, and shall together form an outlying district thereof.

Outlying district.

(e.) All provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882," and of every other Act, shall apply in respect of the foregoing several new road districts constituted under this section as if they had respectively been constituted by the Stratford County Council, on petition, under section four of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

Constituted under Road Boards Act.

4. So much of the former Waimate Road District as lies within the Hawera County, and so much of the former Mōa Road District as lies within the Taranaki County, shall be deemed to be respectively road districts whose boundaries have been altered by the formation of new districts under section four of "The Road Boards Act, 1882," to which the provisions of section thirteen of the last-named Act shall be applicable, with this exception only: that it shall be optional with the Taranaki Council and Hawera County Council to respectively dissolve the Boards of such districts, and not imperative, as provided in the said section thirteen.

Waimate and Mōa Road Districts in adjoining counties reconstituted.

So much of the Ngaire Road District which is not included within the boundaries of the Stratford County is hereby merged in the Hawera County, and shall form part of the Eltham Riding of the last-mentioned county.