

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,
31st October, 1904.

[AS AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.]

Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon.

AMMUNITION-SUPPLY.

ANALYSIS.

<p>Title. 1. Short Title.</p>	<p>2. Governor may enter into contracts for manufacture or supply of ammunition. 3. Crown may purchase works.</p>
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Provision for the Manufacture and Supply of Ammunition for the Defence Forces of New Zealand. Title.

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Ammunition-supply Act, 1904." Short Title.

2. The Governor, on behalf of His Majesty, may from time to time enter into contracts with any person or company in New Zealand or elsewhere for the manufacture and supply or for the supply of ammunition for the Defence Forces of New Zealand at such prices and subject to such conditions, restrictions, and provisions as the Governor thinks fit; and with respect to every such contract the following provisions shall apply :— Governor may enter into contracts for manufacture or supply of ammunition.

(a.) The term of the contract may be any period not exceeding five years.

(b.) For the purpose of insuring continuity of supply the Governor may at any time during the last year of the term of the contract enter into a fresh contract with the same or any other contractor for a further term not exceeding five years, and this power may be exercised in the case of every such fresh contract and as often as the occasion arises.

(c.) In connection with and for the purposes of the contract the Governor may from time to time grant to the contractor as a site for his works a lease of any area of Crown lands not exceeding ten acres at such rental and on such terms and conditions as the Governor thinks fit.

(d.) All moneys payable by His Majesty under the contract shall be payable out of moneys appropriated by Parliament.

(e.) A copy of every such contract and of every such lease shall be laid before Parliament within twenty-one days after the execution thereof if Parliament is then in session, or, if not, then within twenty-one days after the commencement of the next ensuing session.

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3. The contract shall *may* provide that the Governor on behalf of the Crown may purchase the works, plant, and stock-in-trade *of the contractor within the colony* as a going concern at a price to be fixed by valuation in manner specified in the contract.

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