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, 17th October, 1924.

Hon. Mr. Parr.

AUCKLAND CITY ABATTOIR.

[Local Bill.]

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A BILL INTITULED

- An Act to confer on the Auckland City Council certain additional Title. Powers and Authorities in Connection with the Auckland City Abattoir.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—
 - 1. This Act may be cited as the Auckland City Abattoir Act, Short Title. 1924.
 - 2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,—

Interpretation.

"Abattoir" means the Auckland City Abattoir: "City" means the City of Auckland:

"Council" means the Auckland City Council: "Abattoir district" means and includes the districts for which the abattoir is from time to time available for the slaughter of stock:

3. (1.) Meat from stock slaughtered in meat-export slaughter- Meat-export houses shall not be sold or exposed for sale in the abattoir district, slaughterhouses by-laws. except upon terms of paying to the Council the fees fixed by any 20 by-law made as hereinafter provided.

(2.) The Council may from time to time make by-laws not inconsistent with the Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, or this Act, or with regulations made thereunder—

(a.) Prescribing the charges payable for the use of the abattoir, the housing and feeding of stock before slaughter, and the slaughtering and dressing of stock, each of such charges being a separate and distinct charge in respect of each of such matters and proportionate to the cost of the particular service rendered in respect thereof:

(b.) Prescribing the fees to be paid in respect of meat from stock slaughtered in meat-export slaughterhouses that is sold or exposed for sale in the abattoir district. Provided that such fees shall be charged by the Council upon the actual weight of meat so sold calculated on the

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basis of a charge per beast, the number of beasts being ascertained by dividing the weight of meat so sold by the fair average weight of the beast of the particular class from which such meat is derived, and such fees shall be the same per beast as the fees that would for the time being be chargeable for the use of the abattoir (exclusive of the cost of slaughtering) if the stock had been slaughtered therein; and

(c.) Regulating the working and management of the abattoir.

(3.) No such by-law shall come into force unless and until it is 10

approved by the Governor-General.

(4.) So long as any by-law is in force prescribing the charges in respect of the abattoir or the fees in respect of meat slaughtered in meat-export slaughterhouses that is sold or exposed for sale in the abattoir district no greater or other charges shall be payable than 15 those specified in the by-law.

(5.) If default is made in payment of any charges in respect of the abattoir the Council or any person appointed or authorized by it in that behalf may at any time after such default recover the charges by action in any court of competent jurisdiction or by 20 distress, and the sale of any stock in the abattoir belonging to the

person by whom the said charges are payable.

The fees and charges paid to the Council under any by-law shall not in any one year be more than sufficient to defray the annual cost of the abattoir, inclusive of seven per centum per annum on the 25 capital expended in establishing and erecting or extending the abattoir, and should such fees and charges in any year exceed the said maximum the Council shall pay to the persons paying charges for the use of the abattoir, or fees in respect of meat from stock slaughtered in a meat-export slaughterhouse, the amount of such excess in pro- 30 portion to the amounts of charges for use of the abattoir (exclusive of inspection fees) or the amounts of fees so paid.

Provided that any surplus remaining of such sum of seven per centum per annum, after payment of all interest on any loans raised or to be raised for the purposes of the abattoir, shall be paid and ap- 35 plied by the Council either in or towards any sinking fund which the Council may from time to time determine to establish in respect of any such loans or in or towards the renewal or replacement of the plant of the undertaking, or any parts thereof, or other abattoir pur-

(7.) Nothing in section twenty-seven of the Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, or in section three of the Slaughtering and Inspection Amendment Act, 1910, shall apply to the Council or the abattoir, or restrict the operation of this section:

Provided that any existing by-laws made by the Council under 45 the said provisions shall continue in force until repealed or suspended

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by by-laws made by the Council under this Act.

4. The provisions of sections ten and eleven of the Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, as to the establishment of an abattoir shall be deemed to extend and apply to the making from time to time 50 of any additions to or extentions of the abattoir.

Sections 10 and 11 of Slaughtering and Inspection Act, 1908, to apply.