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BAY OF ISLANDS HARBOUR AMENDMENT.

[Local Bill.]

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Bay of Islands Harbour Act, 1920. Title. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Bay of Islands Harbour Amend-Short Title. ment Act, 1922, and shall form part of and be read together with the Bay of Islands Harbour Act, 1920 (hereinafter referred to as the

principal Act).

2. The power of borrowing conferred upon the Board by section Borrowing powers eight of the principal Act shall be deemed to confer, and at all times since the passing of the principal Act to have conferred, upon the Board full power and authority to borrow money for the purpose of exercising the right conferred upon the Board by section sixteen 15 of the principal Act of purchasing from His Majesty the King the railway wharf at Opua, together with the buildings and erections thereon and such portion of the railway reserve at Opua appurtenant to the said wharf as may be agreed upon between the Board and His Majesty the King acting by and through the Minister of Railways.

3. Whereas on the fifteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and Validating poll of 20 twenty-one, a poll of the ratepayers of the Bay of Islands Harbour ratepayers. District on a proposal to borrow moneys under the authority of the principal Act was taken and the Chairman of the Board, acting under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, has declared that such 25 proposal was carried: And whereas doubt has arisen as to the authority of the Board to borrow money for one of the purposes specified in the voting-paper at such poll, and whether the same was taken in every particular according to law: And whereas it is expedient that such poll shall should be validated: Be it therefore

30 enacted as follows:

(1.) The taking of a poll of ratepayers of the Bay of Islands Harbour District on the proposal to borrow the sum of forty

thousand pounds for the purposes of purchasing the wharf and part of the railway reserve at Opua and of extending such wharf and of erecting buildings and purchasing equipment and for contingencies, which said poll was taken on the fifteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, shall be deemed and is hereby declared to be within the power conferred upon the said Board by virtue of the principal Act.

(2.) The consent of the ratepayers of the Bay of Islands Harbour District and of the whole of such district shall be deemed to have been duly given and ascertained to the proposal to borrow the said 10

sum of forty thousand pounds.

(3.) The Board is hereby declared to be fully and duly authorized and empowered to borrow the said sum of forty thousand pounds.

4. Section eight of the principal Act is hereby amended as 15

follows:—

(a.) By omitting from subsection one the words "fifty thousand pounds," and substituting the words "ninety thousand pounds"; and by adding to the said subsection the words "and for the erection of cool-storage accommodation 20 within the harbour district":

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(b.) By repealing subsection two.

5. Section ten of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the word "three-farthings," and substituting the words "one penny and one farthing."

6. Section eleven of the principal Act is hereby amended by deleting the words "equal to one-half," and substituting the words

"not less than one-half but not exceeding two and one-half."

Struck out.

7. (1.) From and after the passing of this Act the whole of the foreshore lands within the Port and Harbour of Bay of Islands shall vest in the Bay of Islands Harbour Board.

(2.) The Governor-General is hereby empowered to sign a Warrant or Warrants authorizing the issue of Crown grants or certificates of title, as the case may require, for the said foreshore lands or any part thereof to and in favour of the Board.

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7a. Section sixteen of the principal Act as amended by section seventy-seven of the Reserves and Other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921–22, is hereby further amended by 40 omitting the words "nineteen hundred and twenty-two" and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and twenty-three."

Section 8 of principal Act amended.

Section 10 of principal Act amended.

Section 11 of principal Act amended.

Foreshore lands to vest in Harbour Board.