Hon. Mr. Ward.

BANK SHARES TRANSFER.

ANALYSIS.

Title. Preamble 1. Short Title. 2. No transfer of bank shares to be complete until approved of by directors of bank. 3. This Act to be sufficient authority for refusing approval.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to limit the Power of Shareholders in Banks to transfer Title. their Shares.

WHEREAS under the provisions of certain Acts constituting banks, Preamble. 5 and in certain deeds of settlement regulating or establishing the same, transfers are complete when the same are signed by the transferees, and on such signature the whole interest and the liabilities of the persons transferring their shares cease: And whereas it is desirable to give directors of banks power to regulate transfers of 10 shares under certain circumstances:

BE IT THEREFORE 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 Bank Shares Transfer Short Title. 15 Act, 1894."

2. Notwithstanding the provisions in any deed of settlement or No transfer of bank in any Act constituting or regulating the business of any bank, no shares to be complete un transfer of the shares on which there is any liability of any bank approved of by carrying on business in New Zealand shall be complete or opera-20 tive to vest such shares in any person, or to relieve the transferor of such share from liability in respect of any share or shares purported to be transferred, until such transfer shall be approved of in writing by the directors of the bank in which the shares are held.

3. This Act shall be a sufficient authority to any such directors This Act to be 25 as aforesaid to refuse their approval to any transfer of shares on which for refusing there is any liability of which they do not approve without assigning approval. any reason therefor.