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, 18th November, 1937,

Mr. Howard.

CHRISTCHURCH TRAMWAY BOARD EMPOWERING.

[LOCAL BILL.]

ANALYSIS.

2. Christchurch Tramway Board authorized to adopt the system of voting at elections and polls in the Central Subdistrict of the Christchurch Tramway District by the marking of a cross.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to authorize the Christchurch Tramway Board Title. to adopt the System of voting at Elections and Polls in the Central Sub-district of the Christchurch Tramway District by the marking of a Cross.

WHEREAS pursuant to section two of the Christchurch City Empowering Act, 1934, the Christchurch City Council has by resolution determined that at elections for Mayor and Councillors of the City of Christchurch and at polls taken by the Council the method of voting shall be by marking a cross in a square opposite to the name of the candidate for whom or the proposal for which the voter desires to vote and not by striking out the names of candidates or words of the proposal: And whereas the Christchurch Tramway District includes the whole of the City of Christchurch and the Central Sub-district of the Christchurch Tramway District is conterminous with the City of Christchurch: And whereas, in order to avoid as far as possible a dual system of voting in any one district, it is desirable to

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authorize the Christchurch Tramway Board to adopt for elections and polls in the Central Sub-district of the Christchurch Tramway District the method of voting by marking a cross instead of striking out names or words:

Be it therefore 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 Christchurch

Tramway Board Empowering Act, 1937.

2. (1) While any such resolution of the Christchurch **10** City Council remains in force, the Christchurch Tramway Board may, by resolution, determine that at all elections and polls held and taken by the said Board in the Central Sub-district of the Christchurch Tramway District the method of voting by the electors or 15 ratepayers of the said Central Sub-district shall be as determined by such resolution of the Christchurch City Council.

(2) While any such resolution of the Board remains 20 in force—

(a) The forms numbered five and six in the First Schedule to the Local Elections and Polls Act. 1925, shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed not to have been repealed, and the voting-papers to be used at every election or 25 poll to which such resolution of the Board applies shall be in such one of those forms as the case may require, instead of in the form numbered one or the form numbered two in the Schedule to the Local Elections and Polls 30 Amendment Act, 1926:

Provided that every such voting-paper shall have a counterfoil, and shall have printed on the back thereof and on the counterfoil respectively the matter contained in the form 35 numbered three in the Schedule to the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act. 1926:

(b) Section twenty-five of the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925, shall apply to any such election or poll as if it had not been amended by 40 section eight of the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act, 1926.

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