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, 12th July, 1901.

Hon. Mr. Duncan.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES VALIDATION.

ANALYSIS.

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1. Short Title. 2. Appointment of Road Boards as Cemetery Trustees validated.

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Appointment of certain Borough Councils as Trustees explained.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to validate the Appointment of certain Cemetery Trustees. Table. WHEREAS the validity of the appointment of certain local authori- Preamble. ties as Trustees of cemeteries has been questioned, on the ground that they are not "local authorities" as defined by section two of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882": And whereas in certain other cases where it was intended that the Council of a borough should be Trustees of a cemetery, the appointments have been made under the name of the Corporation, or the Mayor, Councillors, and Bur-10 gesses of the borough; and it is expedient that all such appointments

should be validated: Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Cemetery Trustees Short Title. 15 Validation Act, 1901."

2. The appointment of any Road Board as Trustees of any Appointment of cemetery heretofore made or purporting to be made under section Road Boards as Gemetery Trustees forty-five of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," is hereby validated.

3. The appointment of the Rotorua Town Council as Trustees Rotorua Town of the Rotorua Cemetery is also hereby validated.

4. Such validation shall in all cases be deemed to extend to the Validation to be date when the appointment was made, and to all acts and pro- retrospective. ceedings (if otherwise lawful) done under such appointment.

5. Where any cemetery Trustees have been appointed under the Appointment of said section by the name of the Corporation, or of the Mayor, Coun- certain Borough Councils as cillors, and Burgesses of a borough, or of any similar name, such Trustees appointment shall be deemed to mean the Council of the borough, and shall not be invalid by reason of such misnomer.