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DARGAVILLE BOROUGH EMPOWERING

[LOCAL BILL]

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to empower the Dargaville Borough Council to levy a sanitation fee on property within the Borough of Dargaville. Title.

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 Dargaville Borough Empowering Act 1954. Short Title.

10 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
“Borough” means the Borough of Dargaville:
“Council” means the Dargaville Borough Council. Interpretation.

15 3. (1) The Council may from time to time, in manner provided by the Municipal Corporations Act 1933, make by-laws providing for the payment of an annual fee for sewerage purposes (hereinafter referred to as the sanitation fee), and may in every year levy a sanitation fee in accordance with such by-laws on all rateable property situated within the borough, and may Power of Council to make by-laws levying annual fee for sewerage purposes.

also in every year levy such fee as aforesaid on all non-rateable property (not being lands vested in Her Majesty of which there is not an owner or occupier, as defined by the Rating Act 1925, other than Her Majesty) situated within the borough and connected with and receiving service from the Council's sewerage system. 5

(2) Any such by-laws may make provision for the exemption from payment of the sanitation fee of any owner or occupier of property which is not served or is not likely to be served by the Council's sewerage service. 10

(3) The sanitation fee may in any year be of a sufficient amount to provide for the payment of the whole or part of the interest and other charges for that year on any loan or loans heretofore or hereafter raised by the Council for sewerage purposes and of the cost of maintaining the Council's sewerage service. 15

(4) Where any loan has been raised by the Council for the purpose of carrying out any sewerage or drainage scheme and has been secured by a special rate levied over the rateable property within the borough or any defined portion of the borough, the Council may in any year in which the amount collected or to be collected by way of sanitation fee is available and sufficient for the payment of the whole or part of the interest and other charges on the loan refrain from levying the said special rate or reduce the amount thereof to be levied in that year, as the case may be. 20 25

(5) The proceeds of any sanitation fee shall be available only for the purposes mentioned in subsection *three* of this section. 30

(6) A sanitation fee shall for all purposes be deemed to be a separate rate.

4. Nothing in this Act shall in any way affect the rights or interests of any debenture holder or other creditor of the Council. 35

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