### Hon, Mr. Downie Stewart.

## DUNEDIN DISTRICT DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE AMENDMENT.

# [LOCAL BILL.]

#### ANALYSIS.

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5. Application of 1921 Amendment to this Act. 6. General rate.

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#### A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act, Title. 1900, and the Acts amending the same.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand 5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Dunedin District Drainage and Short Title. Sewerage Amendment Act, 1923, and it shall form part of and be read together with the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act, 1900.

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, "the principal Interpretation. Act" means the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act, 1900.

3. The Board may from time to time, for the purposes of the Further borrowingsaid Acts other than the purposes mentioned or referred to in section powers. seventy of the principal Act, borrow any sum or sums of money, not 15 exceeding in the whole one hundred thousand pounds, in addition to any moneys heretofore authorized to be borrowed.

4. Subject as is provided in this Act, all the provisions of the Application of said Acts shall apply to moneys borrowed under or by virtue of this principal Act, &c., Act in like manner as if the same formed part of the loan authorized 20 by section fifty-six of the principal Act.

5. All the provisions of the Dunedin District Drainage and Application of 1921 Sewerage Amendment Act, 1921, relating to the loan thereby authorized Amendment to this and the interest thereon, and, in particular, but without restricting the generality of the foregoing, the provisions as to special rating and 25 payment out of the General Fund shall, mutatis mutandis, be deemed

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to be incorporated herein, and accordingly shall be operative in respect of the loan hereby authorized and the interest thereon as if the

same provisions were, *mutatis mutandis*, herein repeated.

6. (1.) For the purpose of carrying on the operations of the Board and paying interest on any moneys borrowed by it, the Board may, by an ordinary resolution, annually make and levy, or order to be made and levied, a general rate or rates upon the district to such amounts as it shall determine, not exceeding the following amounts:—

(a.) Upon every sewered property, a general rate not exceeding one shilling and sixpence in the pound of the annual rateable 10

value of such property:

(b.) Upon every unsewered property, save such as are mentioned in paragraph (c) hereof, a general rate not exceeding ninepence in the pound of the annual rateable value of such property.:

(c.) Upon every unsewered property in the outer drainage area 15 a general rate not exceeding two pence in the pound of the annual rateable value of such property:

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Provided that in making rates of less amount than the maximum the Board shall not necessarily make them bear the same ratio towards each other as the above-mentioned maximum:

Provided also that the above limits as to amount, save the lastmentioned, shall not apply to any rate ordered by the Court or a Judge to be made in case of default in payment of interest on or

principal of any debentures.

- (2.) Section forty-nine of the principal Act, section twenty-four of 25 the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act 1900 Amendment Act, 1902, section three of the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Act, 1900 Amendment Act, 1905, and section six of the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Acts Amendment Act, 1915, are hereby repealed, but such repeal shall not affect any rates made and levied 30 or ordered to be made and levied pursuant to the said sections or any of them.
- (3.) All reference in the said Acts to the said section forty-nine shall henceforth be read and construed and take effect as if the same were references to this section.
- 7. (1.) If shall be lawful for the Board to do whatever in its opinion shall be necessary or desirable in or about any watercourse in the district for the purpose of preventing the flooding of the adjoining or any other lands in the district or any other injury by floods without thereby incurring any liability for compensation or damages.

(2.) Anything done by the Board pursuant to this section in or about a watercourse shall not convert such watercourse into a public drain or sewer.

(3.) This section shall be deemed to have been in force as from the 45 first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-three.

General rates.

Flood protection.