

Mr. Curtis.

Education Act 1877 Amendment.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Education Act, 1877."

Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the system of public education should be sufficiently comprehensive to enable the whole of the people of New Zealand, of whatever religious persuasion, conscientiously to avail themselves of the benefits of the same :

Preamble.

5 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 shall be "The Education Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1878."

Short Title.

10 2. Whenever any twenty-five or more householders in any education district shall signify in writing to the Education Board of such district their desire to be constituted into a separate body for educational purposes, it shall be the duty of the Board to convene a meeting of such householders for the election of a School Committee in the manner provided in Part III. of "The Education Act, 1877;" and it shall be lawful for the Board to grant to the Committee so elected such aid in books, school apparatus, and money, as the Board shall think expedient, or, at the option of the Committee, such aid may be granted in money only, inclusive of the value of such books and school apparatus as would otherwise be supplied by the Board: Provided always that every such Committee shall provide a schoolhouse or schoolhouses to the satisfaction of the Board, and shall appoint and pay the teacher or teachers of such school or schools, every such teacher having first been duly qualified under the provisions of section 25 forty-five of the said Act: Provided also that all books used in any such school shall be approved by the Board, and that in every respect wherein no special exception is made in this section every such school shall be a public school under the said Act, and subject to the provisions which the said Act makes for the conduct, management, and inspection of public schools; and that every such school shall be open to all children between the ages of five and fifteen years without fee or payment of any kind.

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