

Hon. Mr. Menzies.

EDUCATION ACT 1877 AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend Section Eighty-four of "The Education Act, 1877."

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend "The Education Act, 1877:"

Title.
Preamble.

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

5 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Education Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1882."

Short Title.

10 2. Section eighty-four of "The Education Act, 1877," is hereby amended by adding to subsection two the following words, namely: "Provided always that any such Committee may, if it sees fit, direct that a portion of the Holy Scriptures shall be read aloud by the scholars of one or other of the senior classes every morning at the opening of the school; such reading shall not exceed twenty minutes, and no child shall be compelled to attend such reading if the parent or guardian of such child shall, in writing, inform the Committee or

15 the teacher that they object to such attendance.

School Committees may introduce Bible-reading in schools.

By Authority: GEORGE DIDSBURY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1881.

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