ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM.

By section 35 of the Finance Act, 1932, the possible duration of the present Parliament was extended by one year. The purpose of the present Bill is to extend this provision to subsequent Parliaments, thus making a maximum interval of four years between general elections.

Under the present law, the election of members of Licensing Committees follows the triennial licensing poll; subclause (2) of clause 2 of the Bill makes the necessary consequential amendment, and provides in effect that Licensing Committee elections shall also be held at four-yearly intervals.

Right Hon. Mr. Forbes.

ELECTORAL AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Parliamentary elections to held at intervals of four years. Consequential amendment of provisions for election of Licensing Committees.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Electoral Act, 1927.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New

Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority 5 of the same, as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Electoral Amendment Short Title. Act, 1932, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electoral Act, 1927 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. (1) Section three of the principal Act is hereby Parliamentary 10 amended by omitting from subsection two the word elections to be held at intervals of four."

(2) Section fifty-one of the Finance Act, 1931 (No. 4),

is hereby amended by omitting from subsection one the Consequential 15 word "third" and substituting the word "fourth".

Title.

intervals of four years.

amendment of provisions for election of Licensing Committees.

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