This PUBLIC BILL originated in the House of Repre-SENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,

29th November, 1933.

Hon. Mr. Ransom.

EGMONT NATIONAL PARK AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Egmont National Park Act, Title. 1924.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Egmont National Short Title. Park Amendment Act, 1933, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Egmont National Park

10 Act, 1924 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). 2. (1) Section five of the principal Act is hereby Increasing amended by omitting from paragraph (e) of subsection representation three the words "One person", and substituting the West Egmont words "Two persons".

on Board of Local Committee.

No. 29-2.

(2) The first additional member of the Board to be appointed by the West Egmont Local Committee by virtue of the amendment made by the *last preceding* subsection may be appointed by resolution of the local committee at a meeting thereof to be held at any time 5 after the passing of this Act, and shall take office on the first day of the month next following the date of his appointment.

3. (1) The appointment of members of the Board by the local committees shall hereafter be made in every 10 alternate year, commencing in the year nineteen hundred and *thirty-four*.

(2) The principal Act is hereby consequentially amended as follows :---

- (a) By omitting from paragraph (a) of section six 15 the words "each year", and substituting the words "every alternate year":
- (b) By omitting from paragraph (b) of the said section six the words "for one year, or ":
- (c) By omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection two 20 of section twenty-four all words after the words "annual meeting".

4. (1) The appointment of members of the local committees shall hereafter be made in every alternate year, commencing in the year nineteen hundred and 25 thirty-four.

(2) Section twenty-four of the principal Act is hereby consequentially amended as follows:—

- (a) By omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection two the words "each year", and substituting the 30 words "every alternate year"; and
- (b) By omitting from paragraph (b) of the said subsection two the words "for one year, or".

5. The Board may, with the consent of the Minister • and on such terms as he may approve, accept a surrender 35 of any lease granted by the Board.

6. (1) The Board may from time to time grant to any local committee out of its general funds such sums as the Board thinks fit.

(2) The funds of each local committee shall consist 40 of all moneys granted to it by the Board as aforesaid, and all other moneys received by the local committee, not being moneys received on behalf of the Board.

Extending to two years the term of office of future members of Board appointed by local committees.

Extending term of office of future members of local committees.

Board may accept surrenders of leases. Funds of local committees. 2

7. There may be paid to the members of any Travelling. local committee, out of the funds of the local committee, expenses of all moneys actually and reasonably expended by them committees. in attending meetings of the local committee or of Cf. 1924, No. 60, 5 any committee thereof, or in transacting any business s. 11 (d) of the local committee pursuant to a resolution of the local committee.

8. (1) The Audit Office shall be the auditor of the Audit of Board and of the local committees, and shall have the accounts of Board and local 10 same duties and powers in respect of the moneys and committees. accounts of the Board and of each local committee and of every person dealing therewith as if the Board and each local committee were a local authority within the meaning of section one hundred and twenty-four of the See Reprint

15 Public Revenues Act, 1926. (2) This section is in substitution for section thirty Repeal. of the principal Act, and that section is hereby accordingly repealed.

9. (1) Within twenty-eight days after the close of Annual 20 each financial year ending on the thirty-first day of statement of accounts. March, the Board shall cause to be prepared and submitted to the Audit Office for audit an aggregate balancesheet and statement of accounts (including a statement of receipts and payments) showing the financial trans-

25 actions of the Board and of the local committees for the year, together with a separate balance-sheet and statement of accounts (including a statement of receipts and payments) in respect of the Board and of each local committee, and shall submit an annual report to the 30 Minister accompanied by the said balance-sheets and

statements of accounts.

(2) This section is in substitution for section thirty- Repeal. one of the principal Act, and that section is hereby accordingly repealed.

10. All moneys of the Board or of any local com- Moneys to be 35 banked. mittee shall within seven days after they have come into the hands of the proper officer of the Board or local committee be paid to the credit of the bank account of the Board or local committee at such bank as the Board 40 or local committee, as the case may be, from time to

time appoints.

11. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Members of Act or in any rule of law, it shall be lawful for any Board and local person being a member of the Board, or a member of a enter into 45 local committee, to contract with the Board or such certain contracts

local committee, as the case may be, for the supply of committees.

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of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 56

anything to or the doing of any work for the Board or committee where the payment to be made by or on behalf of the Board or committee in respect of any such contract or contracts in which such member is interested does not exceed five pounds in the case of any contract, or ten pounds altogether in any financial year:

Provided that in any special case the Audit Office, where application is made to it in that behalf before the contract is made, may authorize the payment and receipt, in respect of any such contract or contracts in which 10 such member is interested, of such amount as it thinks fit, not exceeding in the aggregate twenty pounds in any financial year.

12. The Board and the local committees may in every financial year expend for purposes not authorized 15 by any Act or law for the time being in force any sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate, in the case of the West Egmont Local Committee, five pounds, and, in the case of the Board and the other local committees, fifteen pounds each. 20

13. For the purposes of the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, and of any regulations thereunder, all roads and tracks within the park shall be deemed to be roads or streets within the meaning of that Act.

Unauthorized expenditure of Board and local committees

Motor-vehicles Act to apply within the park. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VIII, p. 800

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