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GREYMOUTH BOROUGH RELIEF OF UNEMPLOY-MENT LOAN VALIDATION.

[LOCAL BILL.]

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to validate certain Irregular Proceedings in con- Title. nection with the Raising of the Greymouth Borough Council's Relief of Unemployment (Watermain) Loan,

£3,200, 1932, and the Debentures issued to Secure the Same.

WHEREAS the Greymouth Borough Council (hereinafter Preamble. called the Council) having complied with the provisions of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, the

- 10 precedent consent of the Governor-General in Council under the said Act was given to the Council to raise a loan called Relief of Unemployment (Watermain) Loan, £3,200, 1932, under the powers conferred on local authorities by the Local Authorities Empowering (Relief of
- 15 Unemployment) Act, 1926, and such consent authorized the raising of the said loan for a term of thirty years at a rate of interest being such as should not produce to the lenders a rate exceeding five per centum per annum, and subject to the condition that the Council 20 should before borrowing the said sum of three thousand

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two hundred pounds make provision for the repayment thereof by establishing a sinking fund under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, and should make to such sinking fund payment of one pound ten shillings per centum per annum: And whereas a resolution of the Council was 5passed on the eighth day of June, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, making a special rate of eight-hundred-andthirteen five-thousandths of a penny in the pound on the rateable value (on the basis of the unimproved value of all the rateable property of the Borough of Grevmouth), 10 but such resolution was not gazetted as required by the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926: And whereas such resolution was purported to be rescinded by a resolution passed at a special meeting of the Council held on the thirty-first day of July, nineteen hundred and thirtythree, and another rate was purported to be made and levied of two-thousand-one-hundred-and-fourteen tenthousandths of a penny in the pound upon the same basis, but such rate has not been gazetted; and at such meeting further resolutions were passed authorizing the 20 sealing of forty debentures, each for one hundred and nineteen pounds twelve shillings, for the purpose of securing the repayment by instalments of the said loan of three thousand two hundred pounds in twenty years : And whereas there is no power vested in a local authority 25 to rescind a resolution making a special rate : And whereas the consent of the Governor-General in Council to the repayment of the said loan by instalments as required by the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, has not been obtained: And whereas no consent was obtained 39 from the Governor-General in Council to the alteration of the terms of the said loan: And whereas in view of the irregularities and defects it is expedient to validate all proceedings in connection with the raising of the said loan and the said debentures, and to make the same 35 effective debentures :

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

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Greymouth Borough 40 Relief of Unemployment Loan Validation Act, 1933.

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2. All the proceedings in connection with the said Validating loan of three thousand two hundred pounds are hereby proceedings in connection with validated, and the said special rate made at the said the raising of special meeting held on the thirty-first day of July, the raising of the said special rate made at the said the raising of special meeting held on the thirty-first day of July, the said the said special rate made at the said the 5 nineteen hundred and thirty-three, shall for all purposes be deemed to have been duly made and levied, and the said debentures shall be absolutely valid and binding on the Council according to their tenor.

By Authority: G. H. LONEY, Government Printer. Wellington .- 1933.