

## GISBORNE HIGH SCHOOL AMENDMENT BILL

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill provides for the election of two additional parents' representatives to the Board of Governors of the Gisborne High School. The constitution of the present Board is fixed by section 4 of the Gisborne High School Act 1885 and the overriding provisions of section 89 of the Education Act 1914. For the sake of clarity the provisions governing the constitution of the Board and future appointments and elections of its members are being rewritten in the Bill.

*Clause 1* relates to the Short Title to the Bill.

*Clause 2* provides that the Board of Governors of the school shall consist of—

- (a) Two members appointed by the Governor-General;
- (b) Two members appointed by the Cook County Council;
- (c) Two members appointed by the Gisborne City Council;
- (d) One member appointed by the Education Board of the District of Hawke's Bay;
- (e) Four members elected by the parents of the pupils of the schools controlled by the Board.

*Clause 3* provides for members of the Board to be appointed or elected for a term of two years, and specifies in each case when the term is to expire.

*Clause 4* extends the present section relating to extraordinary vacancies so as to make it apply to elected members. It also adds the usual provision that a member appointed or elected to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office for only the residue of the term of the vacating member.

*Hon. Mr Algie*

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1. Short Title	3. Term of office of members
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### A BILL INTITULED

#### **An Act to amend the Gisborne High School Act 1885**

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

1. **Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Gisborne High School Amendment Act 1956, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Gisborne High School Act 1885 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

10 2. **Constitution of Board**—(1) Section three of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words “to consist of six persons”.

(2) The principal Act is hereby amended by repealing section four, and substituting the following section:

15 “4. The Board shall consist of—

“(a) Two members appointed by the Governor-General:

“(b) Two members appointed by the Cook County Council:

“(c) Two members appointed by the Gisborne City Council:

20 “(d) One member appointed by the Education Board of the District of Hawke’s Bay:

“(e) Four members elected by the parents of the pupils of the schools controlled by the Board in the manner for the time being prescribed by the scheme in respect of the schools approved by the Minister of Education under section ninety-two of the Education Act 1914.” 5

**3. Term of office of members**—The principal Act is hereby amended by repealing section five, and substituting the following section:

“(5. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this Act, every member of the Board shall hold office for a term of two years but may from time to time be reappointed or re-elected. 10

“(2) The members of the Board who were in office immediately before the commencement of this section shall be deemed to have been appointed or elected under this section. 15

“(3) The two additional members of the Board to be elected by the parents of the pupils of the schools controlled by the Board shall be elected as soon as practicable after the commencement of this section.

“(4) On the first day of February in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, and on that day in every year thereafter, the term of office shall expire of— 20

“(a) The member appointed by the Governor-General whose term commenced first:

“(b) The member appointed by the Cook County Council whose term commenced first: 25

“(c) The member appointed by the Gisborne City Council whose term commenced first.

“(5) On the thirty-first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, and on that day in every second year thereafter, the term of office shall expire of— 30

“(a) The member appointed by the Education Board of the District of Hawke’s Bay:

“(b) Every member elected by the parents of the pupils of the schools controlled by the Board. 35

“(6) Upon the expiry of the term of office of any member—

“(a) His successor if then appointed or elected shall forthwith thereafter come into office:

“(b) If his successor has not been appointed or elected, the member shall continue in office until his successor is appointed or elected.” 40

**4. Extraordinary vacancies**—Section seven of the principal Act is hereby amended—

- (a) By inserting, after the word “appointment”, the words “or election”:
- 5 (b) By adding the words “and the member so appointed or elected shall hold office for only the residue of the term of the vacating member”.