

[AS REPORTED FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON THE  
STATUTES AMENDMENT BILL]

*Hon. Mr Watt*

## GAS INDUSTRY AMENDMENT

### ANALYSIS

Title	1. Short Title 2. Continuation of gas undertakings
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### A BILL INTITULED

#### An Act to amend the Gas Industry Act 1908

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

**1. Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Gas Industry  
Amendment Act 1960, and shall be read together with and  
deemed part of the Gas Industry Act 1958\* (hereinafter  
referred to as the principal Act).

10 **2. Continuation of gas undertakings**—The principal Act  
is hereby amended by inserting, after section 20, the following  
section:

15 “20A. (1) Every owner of a gas undertaking shall carry  
on the undertaking in such manner as to ensure, as far as  
practicable, that the supply of gas and by-products from the  
undertaking is maintained and where possible expanded, and  
that the interests of gas consumers served by the undertaking  
are protected.

20 “(2) Except with the prior consent of the Council, it shall  
not be lawful for the owner of any gas undertaking to dis-  
continue the supply of gas to its consumers generally within  
the area served by the undertaking or to give notice to its  
consumers generally or to announce publicly that it intends  
to discontinue any such supply of gas.”

\*1958, No. 43

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