

Hon. Mr. Hawken.

HOWARD ESTATE AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Howard Estate Act, 1919.

Title.

BE IT 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 Howard Estate Amendment Act, 1926, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Howard Estate Act, 1919 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Additions to lands within the Howard Estate.

2. (1.) The Howard Estate established by the principal Act shall comprise, in addition to the lands described in the Schedule to that Act, the lands described in the Schedule to this Act and acquired in the manner set out in that Schedule, and such other lands as may from time to time be acquired pursuant to the power hereinafter conferred on the Public Trustee to acquire land for the purposes of the estate.

Amendment of description.

(2.) The Schedule to the principal Act is hereby amended as from the date of the passing thereof by omitting from the description of the twenty-first parcel of land the reference to Block No. 54, and substituting a reference to Block No. 44.

District Land Registrar authorized to issue comprehensive certificate of title.

3. Upon written application, with a copy of this Act attached, being made to him by the Public Trustee the District Land Registrar for the Land Registration District of Hawke's Bay is hereby authorized and directed, on payment of the proper fees, if any, and on the surrender of existing titles thereto, to issue a certificate or certificates of title for the whole of the lands comprised in and shown on plans deposited in the Land Registry Office at Napier under numbers 4619, 4620, and 4621, to the Public Trustee, to hold the said lands upon the trusts set out in and subject to the provisions of the principal Act, and no warrant other than the said application and copy of this Act shall be necessary for the issue of the said certificate or certificates of title as aforesaid.

Power to acquire further land for development of estate.

4. (1.) The Public Trustee may from time to time, with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture and out of revenues derived from the estate, whether standing to the credit of the Howard Estate Account or forming part of the Common Fund of the Public Trust Office, purchase any land required for the development or better working of the Howard Estate :

Provided that no land shall be purchased under the authority of this section if such purchase would conflict with any scheme of administration and expenditure approved pursuant to section eight of the principal Act.

(2.) The purchase by the Public Trustee of the share of the late James Howard, sheep-farmer, of Westoe, Rangitikei, in the area of land thirdly described in the Schedule hereto is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made.

Validating purchase of headstone for grave of late Josiah Howard.

5. The power conferred by section forty-two of the Finance Act, 1921-22, on the Public Trustee to expend out of the revenues of the Howard Estate the necessary sums for maintaining in good order the grave of the late Josiah Howard shall be deemed to have included a power to incur expenditure on the erection of a headstone, and the expenditure of the sum of twenty-five pounds for that purpose is hereby declared to have been lawfully made.

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

ADDITIONAL LAND INCLUDED IN THE HOWARD ESTATE.

ALL those pieces or parcels of land situated in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, in the Dominion of New Zealand,—

First, containing 63 acres, be the same a little more or less, being Block No. 38 on the plan of the Wakarara Survey District, being all the land comprised and described in the Crown Grant No. 1848, and being part of the estate of the late Josiah Howard, but omitted by error from the enumeration in the Schedule to the principal Act.

Second, containing 52 acres 1 rood 33 perches, be the same a little more or less, being portions of closed roads referred to in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 9th day of February, 1922, at page 411, and being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title, Volume 84, folio 79, Hawke's Bay Registry.

Third, containing 12 acres, be the same a little more or less, being Section 1, Block XV, on the plan of the Wakarara Survey District, being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title, Volume 27, folio 61, Hawke's Bay Registry, and being land formerly held as tenants in common by the late Josiah Howard and the late James Howard, sheep-farmer, of Westoe, Rangitikei, and added to the estate by the purchase of the undivided moiety of the said James Howard.