440

[AS REPORTED FROM THE STATUTES REVISION COMMITTEE.] House of Representatives, 27th August, 1930.

Mr. Mason.

INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Borrowing-power implied in societies.

3. Effect of rules.

4. Rule in winding-up.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1908. Title. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Industrial and Provident Societies short Title. Amendment Act, 1930, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Every industrial and provident society shall have and be Borrowing-power 10 deemed to have always had the same power to borrow and to mortgage, implied in societies. charge, and give security over all or any part of its property or assets (including goodwill and unpaid capital) to secure money borrowed, as if it were a company registered under the Companies Act, 1908, having 15 the same objects as the society, irrespective of whether expressed express power or sufficient express power is given in the society's rules.

3. Nothing herein shall prevent a society by its rules authorizing, Effect of rules. regulating, or limiting the borrowing of money or the mortgaging,

charging, or giving of security, but no lender acting in good faith shall 20 in the case of any society be concerned to inquire as to the power or authority for any borrowing, mortgage, charge, or security or as to whether any such power or authority may have been exhausted or exceeded, and so far as concerns such a lender, such borrowing, mortgage, charge, or security shall be valid and effectual.

4. In the winding-up of any industrial and provident society, where Rule in winding-up. 25 any person in good faith claims any debt, mortgage, charge, or security in respect of money purported to be borrowed by the society and

actually received by it, such indebtedness, mortgage, charge, or security shall be deemed to be valid and effectual and binding upon the society, notwithstanding that the contracting or giving of the same may have been *ultra vires* of the society, or contrary to the rules of the society, or without authority required by the rules of the society, or in excess of such authority.

By Authority: W. A. G. SKINNER, Government Printer, Wellington .- 1930.