This Public Bill originated in the House of Representatives. and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,

23rd July, 1920.

Hon. Mr. Lee.

JUDICATURE AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Short Title. 2. Superannuation allowance of Judges who, having held office for less than ten years, may, by reason of permanent infirmity, resign from office.

3. Provision for increased salaries to Judges of the Supreme Court. Repeal.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Judicature 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 Judicature Amendment Short Title. Act, 1920, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Judicature Act, 1908.

2. Every Judge holding office during good behaviour who has Superannuation 10 held office for a period of less than ten years but not less than five allowance of Judges who, having held years, and who satisfies the Governor-General in Council that he office for less than has become incapable of performing the duties of his office by reason of any permanent infirmity, and thereupon resigns his office, shall be infirmity, resign entitled to a superannuation allowance in proportion to the amount

ten years, may, by reason of permanent from office.

15 of his annual salary at the time of resigning, computed at the rate of three twenty-fourths of such salary increased by one twenty-fourth of such salary for each complete year (if any) during which he has held office in excess of five years, but not exceeding in any case an allowance of six twenty-fourths of such salary.

20 3. (1.) There shall be payable to the Judges of the Supreme Provision for Court out of the Consolidated Fund, without further appropriation increased salaries than this section the appropriation following that is to Judges of the than this section, the annual salaries following, that is to say: To Supreme Court. the Chief Justice of New Zealand the sum of two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, and to each of the other Judges of the 25 Supreme Court the sum of two thousand pounds.

(2.) Section three of the Judicature Amendment Act, 1913, is Repeal. hereby repealed.