

Mr. Houston.

KAURI-GUM INDUSTRY ACT 1898 AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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| <p>Title.</p> <p>1. Short Title.</p> <p>2. Removal of restrictions from reserves.</p> | <p>3. State forest reserves to be open for gum-digging with certain restrictions.</p> |
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898." Title.

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Kauri-gum Industry Act 1898 Amendment Act, 1902." Short Title.

2. Notwithstanding anything contained in subsection two of section two of "The Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1898" (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act"), it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the local authority, to remove the restrictions as to reserves, when it has been ascertained that the said reserves or any portions thereof are suitable for settlement purposes: Removal of restrictions from reserves.

(1.) Provided that the said reserves or portions thereof are non-gum-bearing: and

(2.) Provided also that a poll of the British gum-diggers living in the district be first taken as to the non-gum-bearing qualities of the said reserves or portions thereof.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in sections eleven and fifteen of the principal Act, it shall be lawful for the local authorities to issue special licenses and gum-buyers' licenses in any forest reserve, or in any State forests under "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," only during the period from the first day of May State forest reserves to be open for gum-digging with certain restrictions.

to the thirtieth day of September.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1902.