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### LEGISLATIVE RIGHTS.

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AN ACT to further secure the Rights and Privileges of Members of the House of Representatives. 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 Legislative Rights Act, 1883." Short Title.

2. It is hereby declared to be, and to have been, the right of every member of the House of Representatives to move for leave to introduce, and to promote in the said House, any measure relating to the peace, order, prosperity, and good government of New Zealand; and it is hereby also declared to be, and to have been, the right of the said House to pass such measure. Right of members to introduce and promote and House to pass measures.

3. No Minister of the Crown or Executive Councillor shall, without the consent of the House of Representatives previously had and obtained, communicate with or advise His Excellency the Governor to communicate with or write any despatch to the Government of Great Britain, or in like manner with or to any Secretary of State of the said Government, concerning the desirability of passing any Act relating to or affecting the colony or any part thereof, nor, in like manner, transmit or advise the transmission of any Bill or draft Bill, relating to or affecting the colony or any part thereof, with the request or design to have the same submitted for the consideration of or passed into law by the Imperial Parliament. No Minister, &c., to communicate or advise the Governor respecting Imperial law affecting colony without consent of House.

4. Every such Minister or Executive Councillor as aforesaid who shall do any act in contravention of the last preceding section shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and on conviction shall be liable to incur a fine not exceeding \_\_\_\_\_ pounds, or, in default in payment thereof as shall be ordered, shall be imprisoned for any term not exceeding \_\_\_\_\_ months; and, in addition to such fine or imprisonment, shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Legislative Council or House of Representatives, as the case may be. Contravention of section 2 misdemeanour.

5. Before any prosecution shall be commenced for any offence under this Act, an order directing such prosecution to be commenced shall be made by the House of Representatives, and every person shall be competent and compellable to attend and to give evidence in such prosecution. House to order prosecution. Evidence.