# LAND VALUATION PROCEEDINGS AMENDMENT BILL

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill abolishes the Land Valuation Court and transfers its jurisdiction to the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court. In the exercise of this jurisdiction the Division will sit with two additional lay members, as is the case now in the Land Valuation Court. The Bill gives effect to recommendations of the Public and Administrative Law Reform Committee.

The jurisdiction of the Land Valuation Court covers mainly the following matters:

- (a) Claims for compensation for land taken under the Public Works Act 1928:
- (b) Objections, applications for consent, and claims for compensation under the Land Settlement Promotion Act 1952:
- (c) Objections to valuations made under the Valuation of Land Act 1951:
- (d) Objections and appeals under the Rating Act 1967:
- (e) Appeals against the valuation of land for duty purposes under the Estate and Gift Duties Act 1955 and the Stamp Duties Act 1954.

The Court also has certain other jurisdiction as to appeals under the Land Act 1948 and the Maori Purposes Act 1949, and objections to valuations under the Maori Affairs Act 1953, the Maori Vested Lands Administration Act 1954, and the Maori Reserved Land Act 1955. In addition, the Governor-General in Council may under section 33 of the principal Act confer on the Court further jurisdiction in relation to the valuation of land or claims for compensation in respect of damage to land.

The Bill does not affect the existence or jurisdiction of Land Valuation Committees. Most proceedings coming before the Court are referred to a Land Valuation Committee in the first instance, and there is a right of appeal to the Court; but the Court also has an original jurisdiction in relation to certain compensation claims and other matters.

The general effect of the Bill is to transfer to the Administrative Division the existing jurisdiction of the Land Valuation Court; to give a wider original jurisdiction with the consent of the parties (clause 10); and to give to parties a further right to appeal to the Court of Appeal, with leave, in cases involving questions of law, important issues, or substantial sums of money (clause 8).

The Bill also makes statutory the present practice under which Magistrates are appointed to be Chairmen of Land Valuation Committees (clause 9).

The other amendments made by the Bill are consequential on the above-mentioned changes.

Clause 1 of the Bill relates to the Short Title and commencement of the new Act, which will come into force on 1 April 1969.

# Transfer of Land Valuation Court's Jurisdiction to Administrative Division of Supreme Court

Clause 2 abolishes the Land Valuation Court, and vests all its powers and jurisdiction in the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the two additional members referred to in *subclause* (6). Existing proceedings that have been wholly or partly heard but not determined will, under the proviso to *subclause* (3), be determined by the Land Valuation Court as if the new Act had not been passed; but the new right of appeal given by *clause* 8 will apply to the determinations.

#### Amendments of Principal Act

Clause 3 (1) alters the Short Title of the Land Valuation Court Act 1948 to the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948.

Subclauses (2) and (3) correspondingly amend the Short Titles of such of the existing amending Acts as are not repealed by the Bill, and references to the principal Act and its amendments in other enactments.

Clause 4 rewrites the existing definitions of "Court" and "Registrar" in section 2 of the principal Act, and inserts a new definition of "additional member". The term "Court" will in future mean the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the two additional members.

Clause 5 repeals sections 3 to 7 of the principal Act, relating to the constitution of the Land Valuation Court. It substitutes a new section 3, which provides that for the purposes of the exercise by the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court of its jurisdiction under the Act there shall be two additional members appointed by the Governor-General, as is the case at present with the Land Valuation Court. The clause re-enacts section 7 (with minor modifications) so far as it relates to the appointment and term of office, etc., of the additional members.

Clause 6 re-enacts, with necessary modifications, section 9 of the principal Act. It requires the additional members to take an oath of office.

Clause 7 substitutes a new section for section 13 of the principal Act, adapting the present provisions as to a quorum and decisions of the Court to the new situation.

Clause 8 (1) inserts a new section 18A, under which a party may, with the leave of the Court or of the Court of Appeal, appeal to the Court of Appeal against any award or order of the Court. In determining whether to grant leave to appeal, the Court must take into account the matters stated in subsection (2); and under subsection (3) conditions as to costs or otherwise may be imposed on the grant of leave.

Subclause (2) repeals section 17 of the principal Act, under which the Land Valuation Court's orders are not to be challenged or reviewed in any Court except on the ground of lack of jurisdiction.

Subclause (3) also omits similar privative provisions from section 33 of the principal Act.

Clause 9: The effect of this clause is that Chairmen of Land Valuation Committees must be Magistrates. This is the present practice.

Clause 10: Under section 22 (1) of the principal Act, certain claims and other proceedings filed with the Registrar are referred in the first instance to Land Valuation Committees; but under the proviso to that subsection claims for compensation under the Public Works Act 1928 are to be referred, if the parties so require, direct to the Court instead of to a Committee.

This clause repeals the proviso, and substitutes a new proviso under which any proceedings may, with the leave of the Court, go to the Court in the first instance, instead of to a Committee, where all the parties so request.

Clause 11: Subclause (1) simply re-enacts existing provisions, with the omission of spent matter and the incorporation of existing amendments, thus making possible the repeal (by clause 13) of the 1949 and 1964 amending enactments referred to in the subclause.

Subclause (2): The decision of the Court on an appeal from a Committee will be final unless leave to appeal is granted under the new section 18A inserted by clause 8.

Clause 12 rewrites section 27 of the principal Act so as to eliminate the present provision under which the proceedings and orders of a Land Valuation Committee are not to be challenged or reviewed in any Court except the present Court.

Clause 13: Subclause (1) makes consequential amendments to the principal Act (as set out in the First Schedule). It also omits certain spent provisions.

Subclause (2) consequentially repeals three earlier amending enactments.

Clause 14 is a savings clause. Subclause (1) provides that every existing member or deputy member of the present Court (except the Judge or a Deputy Judge) is deemed to have been appointed as an additional member or deputy member of the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court for the purposes of the Act as amended by the Bill, and will continue in office accordingly.

Subclause (2) saves existing awards and orders of the Court.

#### Amendments of Other Acts

Clause 15 makes consequential amendments to other Acts, as set out in the Second Schedule.

#### Hon. Mr Hanan

#### LAND VALUATION PROCEEDINGS AMENDMENT

#### **ANALYSIS**

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#### A BILL INTITULED

An Act to abolish the Land Valuation Court and to transfer its jurisdiction to the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court; and to amend the Land Valuation Court Act 1948 and other enactments for that purpose and for purposes related thereto

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

No. 95-1

1. Short Title and commencement—(1) This Act may be cited as the Land Valuation Proceedings Amendment Act 1968, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Act heretofore cited as the Land Valuation Court Act 1948\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

(2) This Act shall come into force on the first day of

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April, nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

## Transfer of Land Valuation Court's Jurisdiction to Administrative Division of Supreme Court

2. Land Valuation Court abolished and jurisdiction transferred to the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court—(1) The Land Valuation Court established under the principal Act is hereby abolished, and, subject to the provisions of the principal Act and this Act, all the powers and jurisdiction of that Court are hereby vested in and may be exercised 15 by the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court.

(2) As from the commencement of this Act, all claims, applications, objections, appeals, proceedings, and other matters which, if this Act had not been passed, would be required to be made or referred to and heard and determined by the 20 Land Valuation Court shall be made or referred to and heard and determined by the Administrative Division of the

Supreme Court.

(3) All claims, applications, objections, appeals, proceedings, and other matters which before the commencement of 25 this Act have been made or referred to the Land Valuation Court, but which have not been determined at the commencement of this Act, shall be deemed to have been made to the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court:

Provided that any such claim, application, objection, 30 appeal, proceeding, or other matter which before the commencement of this Act has been wholly or partly heard but has not been determined shall be determined as if this Act had not been passed, except that section 18A of the principal Act (as inserted by section 8 of this Act) shall apply to the 35 determination of the Court thereon.

\*1957 Reprint, Vol. 7, p. 727 Amendments: 1964, No. 96; 1965, No. 91; 1967, No. 21; 1967, No. 88 (4) Every reference to the Land Valuation Court in the principal Act or any other Act (not being a reference only to "the Court" or a reference that is expressly amended by this Act) or in any rule, regulation, bylaw, judgment, order, contract, agreement, or other document whatsoever (including any reference heretofore substituted by any provision of the principal Act for a reference to any other Court) shall hereafter, unless the context otherwise requires, be read as a reference to the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court.

10 (5) Every reference to a Registrar of the Land Valuation Court in any enactment other than the principal Act (not being a reference that is expressly amended by this Act), or in any rule, regulation, bylaw, judgment, order, contract, agreement, or other document whatsoever shall hereafter, 15 unless the context otherwise requires, be read as a reference to

a Registrar of the Supreme Court.

(6) For the purposes of this section, the expression "Administrative Division of the Supreme Court" means the Administrative Division of that Court, including the two additional 20 members appointed under section 3 of the principal Act (as substituted by section 5 of this Act).

## Amendments of Principal Act

3. Alteration of Short Titles of principal Act and amending Acts—(1) The principal Act may hereafter by cited as the 25 Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948.

(2) The Short Title of the principal Act, and the Short

Titles of—

(a) The Land Valuation Court Amendment Act 1965; and

(b) The Land Valuation Court Amendment Act 1967— 30 are hereby consequentially amended, in each case, by omitting the word "Court", and substituting the word "Proceedings".

(3) Every reference in any enactment to the Short Title of any of the said Acts is hereby consequentially amended by 35 omitting the word "Court", and substituting the word

"Proceedings".

4. Interpretation—(1) Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing the definitions of the terms "Court" and "Registrar", and substituting, in their appropriate alphabetical order, the following definitions:

"'Additional member' means a person appointed under section 3 of this Act to be an additional member of the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court for the purposes of this Act:

"'Court' means the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the additional members:

- "'Registrar' means a Registrar of the Supreme Court; and includes a Deputy Registrar."
- 5. Additional members of Administrative Division of Supreme Court for purposes of Act—The principal Act is 10 hereby amended by repealing sections 3 to 7, and substituting the following section:

"3. (1) For the purposes of the exercise by the Administra-

tive Division of the Supreme Court of-

"(a) Its jurisdiction and powers under or by virtue of this 15

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Act; and

"(b) The jurisdiction and powers formerly vested in the Land Valuation Court under or by virtue of any other enactment in force at the commencement of this section—

there shall be two additional members of the Division (not being Judges of the Supreme Court), who shall be appointed by the Governor-General.

"(2) The additional members shall be appointed to hold office for five years, and shall be eligible for reappointment.

"(3) Any additional member may resign his office at any

time by written notice given to the Minister of Justice.

"(4) Any additional member may be removed from office at any time by the Governor-General for disability, bankruptcy, neglect of duty, or misconduct, proved to the satisfaction of 30 the Governor-General.

"(5) Every additional member shall retire from office on

attaining the age of seventy-two years.

"(6) There shall be paid to the additional members, out of money appropriated by Parliament for the purpose, 35 remuneration by way of fees, salary, or allowances and travelling allowances and expenses in accordance with the Fees and Travelling Allowances Act 1951, and the provisions of that Act shall apply accordingly as if the Division were a statutory Board within the meaning of that Act."

6. Oath to be taken by additional members—The principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing section 9, and

substituting the following section:

"9. Before entering upon the exercise of the duties of their 5 office, the additional members shall take and subscribe an oath before a Judge of the Supreme Court that they will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of their office."

7. Quorum and decisions of Court—The principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing section 13, and substitut-10 ing the following section:

"13. (1) The presence of a Judge of the Administrative Division and of at least one additional member shall be neces-

sary to constitute a sitting of the Court.

"(2) The decision of a majority (including the Judge, or, 15 where more than one Judge sits, including a majority of the Judges) of the members present at a sitting of the Court shall be the decision of the Court. If the members present are equally divided in opinion, the decision of the Judge, or of a majority of the Judges, shall be the decision of the Court.

- 20 "(3) If any question before the Court cannot be decided in accordance with subsection (2) of this section, the question shall be referred to the Court of Appeal for decision in accordance with the practice and procedure of that Court, which for that purpose shall have all the powers of the Court under this Act. The decision of the Court of Appeal in any proceedings under this subsection shall be final and shall take effect and be enforced as if it were a decision of the Court under this Act."
- 8. Appeal to Court of Appeal in certain cases—(1) The 30 principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 18, the following section:
- "18a. (1) Notwithstanding anything in any enactment, any party to any proceedings before the Court who is dissatisfied with any award or order of the Court may, with the leave of 35 the Court or of the Court of Appeal, appeal to the Court of Appeal; and section 66 of the Judicature Act 1908 shall apply to any such appeal.

"(2) In determining whether to grant leave to appeal under this section, the Court to which the application for leave is

40 made shall have regard to the following matters:

"(a) Whether any question of law or general principle is involved:

"(b) The importance of the issues to the parties:

"(c) The amount of money in issue:

"(d) Such other matters as in the particular circumstances the Court thinks fit.

"(3) The Court granting leave under this section may in its discretion impose such conditions as it thinks fit, whether as to costs or otherwise.

"(4) The decision of the Court of Appeal on any such

appeal shall be final."

(2) Section 17 of the principal Act is hereby repealed.

(3) Section 33 of the principal Act is hereby amended by 10 omitting from subsection (4) the words "Subject as aforesaid, no such proceedings and no order thereon shall be liable to be challenged, reviewed, quashed, or called in question in any Court".

9. Land Valuation Committees—(1) Section 19 of the 15 principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection (2), and substituting the following subsections:

"(2) Every Land Valuation Committee shall consist of such number of persons (not exceeding three) as the Governor-General in each case thinks fit, to be appointed by 20 the Governor-General and to hold office during his pleasure.

"(2A) Where a Committee consists of one person, the

person to be appointed shall be a Magistrate.

"(2B) Where a Committee consists of more than one person, one of the members to be appointed shall be a Magistrate 25 and shall be appointed by the Governor-General to be the Chairman of the Committee; and the quorum at sittings of the Committee shall be such number as the Governor-General determines."

(2) Section 20 of the principal Act is hereby amended by 30 inserting, after the words "every Land Valuation Committee", the words ", except a Magistrate,".

10. Proceedings may be heard by Court instead of Committee where parties so request—Section 22 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing the proviso to sub- 35 section (1), and substituting the following proviso:

"Provided that with the leave of the Court, where all the parties to any claim, objection, application, or other proceeding so request, it shall not be referred to a Land Valuation Committee but shall be heard and determined by the Court." 40

11. Appeals to Court against orders of Land Valuation Committees—(1) Section 26 of the principal Act (as amended by section 33 of the Statutes Amendment Act 1949 and section 3 of the Land Valuation Court Amendment Act 1964) is 5 hereby further amended by repealing subsections (2) and (2A), and substituting the following subsections:

"(2) The prescribed time for the purposes of this section

shall be—

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"(a) Twenty-one days in the case of an order on a claim for compensation under the Public Works Act 1928:

"(b) Seven days in the case of an order under Part II of the Land Settlement Promotion Act 1952 granting unconditionally an application for consent to any transaction where there is no objection from the Crown representative appointed under section 36 of this Act:

"(c) Fourteen days in any other case.

"(2A) Every application for an extension of time within which to appeal to the Court from a final order of a Land 20 Valuation Committee or from any part thereof may be made either before or after the expiration of the prescribed time for appeal, and may be made notwithstanding that the order of the Committee has been sealed as an order of the Court.

(2) Section 26 of the principal Act is hereby further

25 amended by adding the following subsection:

- "(5) Subject to subsection (3) of section 13 and section 18A of this Act, the decision of the Court on any such appeal or review shall be final."
- 12. Jurisdiction of Court in relation to Committee—The 30 principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing section 27, and substituting the following section:

"27. (1) In the exercise of its powers and functions every Land Valuation Committee shall be subject to the general invisition of the Court

jurisdiction of the Court.

- 5 "(2) Proceedings before a Land Valuation Committee shall not be held bad for want of form."
  - 13. Consequential amendments of principal Act. Repeals—(1) The principal Act is hereby further amended in the manner indicated in the First Schedule to this Act.

- (2) The following enactments are hereby consequentially repealed:
  - (a) Section 33 of the Statutes Amendment Act 1949;
  - (b) The Land Valuation Court Amendment Act 1964:
  - (c) The Land Valuation Court Amendment Act (No. 2) 5
- 14. Savings as to existing appointments, awards, and orders—(1) Every person who at the commencement of this Act holds office as a member or deputy member of the Land Valuation Court (otherwise than as the Judge of the Court or 10 as the Deputy Judge) shall be deemed for the purposes of the principal Act and this Act to have been appointed as an additional member or, as the case may require, a deputy additional member of the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court under the principal Act (as amended by this Act), and shall 15 continue in office as such, subject to the principal Act (as so amended) for the unexpired portion of the term or period of his appointment and, in the case of a deputy, subject to the conditions and limitations, if any, specified in his appointment.
- (2) All awards and orders of the Land Valuation Court 20 shall continue in full force and effect according to their tenor, and may be enforced as if this Act had not been passed.

## Amendments of Other Acts

15. Consequential amendments of other Acts—The enactments specified in the Second Schedule to this Act (as hereto-25 fore amended) are hereby further amended in the manner indicated in that Schedule.

# **SCHEDULE**

# FIRST SCHEDULE

Section 13 (1)

# Consequential Amendments of Principal Act

Section Affected	Amendment
Section 10 Section 12 Section 14	By repealing this section. By repealing subsection (2). By inserting in subsections (1) and (2), before the word "member", wherever that word occurs in those subsections, the word "additional".
Section 15	By omitting from subsection (1) the words "the Deputy Judge or", and also the words "as the case may require".  By repealing subsection (3).  By repealing this section.
Section 21	By omitting from subsection (3) the words "and, in the case of every application under the Servicemen's Settlement and Land Sales Act 1943, shall be verified by the statutory declaration of the applicant or of some other person with a knowledge of the facts".
Section 23	By omitting from the proviso to subsection (1) (as amended by section 29 (2) of the Servicemen's Settlement Act 1950) the words "subsection one of section twentynine of the Servicemen's Settlement Act 1950", and substituting the words "section 28 of the Land Settlement Promotion Act 1952".
Section 28	By omitting from subsection (1) the words "Land Valuation Court", in both places where those words occur, and substituting in each case the word "Court".  By repealing subsections (2) and (3).
Sections 29, 30 Section 33	By repealing these sections. By omitting the words "Land Valuation Court", wherever those words occur in subsections (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5), and substituting in each case the word "Court". By inserting in subsection (4), after the words "any rule or regulation made thereunder", the words "or under section 26B

# FIRST SCHEDULE—continued

### CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS OF PRINCIPAL ACT—continued

Section Affected	Amendment
Section 38	By omitting the words "of the Supreme Court or of a Magistrate's Court, as the Land Valuation Court directs, whereupon the order shall have the effect of a judgment of the Supreme Court or of the Magistrate's Court, as the case may be", and substituting the words "of a Magistrate's Court, if the Court (within the meaning of this Act) so directs, whereupon the order shall have the effect of a
First Schedule	judgment of the Magistrate's Court". By repealing this Schedule.

# Section 15

#### SECOND SCHEDULE

# Consequential Amendments of Other Acts

Title of Act	Amendment
1928, No. 21—The Public Works Act 1928. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 12, p. 475)	By inserting, after section 48, the following section:  "48A. The Court—In this Part of this Act, the expression "the Court", unless the context otherwise requires, means the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the additional members holding office under the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948, in the exercise of its jurisdiction under that Act."  By omitting from subsection (1) of section 49 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "the Court within the meaning of this Part of this Act".  By omitting from paragraph (a) of section 53 the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "office of the Supreme Court"; by omitting from the said paragraph (a) the words "be filed in the Supreme Court and shall"; by omitting from paragraph (b) of the said section 53 the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting the word "Court".

#### CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS OF OTHER ACTS—continued

1928, No. 21—The Public Works Act 1928. (1957 Reprint, Vol.

12, p. 475)—ctd

Title of Act

#### Amendment

By omitting from subsection (1) of section 54 the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting the word "Court".

By repealing subsection (2) of section 54, and substituting the following subsection: "(2) If the respondent gives notice in writing within the said sixty days, or within such further time as may be allowed by the Court, that he does not admit the claim, but makes no such offer, or if the claimant does not accept the offer so made, the claimant may file a copy of his claim in the Court, together with a notice in the form in the Third Schedule to this Act that he requires the claim to be heard in the Court."

By omitting from section 56 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "the Court".

By omitting from subsection (1) of section 90 the word "Judge", in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the words "presiding Judge".

By omitting from paragraph (c) of section 91 the words "the Land Valuation Court", in both places where those words occur, and substituting in each case the words "the Court under this Part of this Act".

By omitting from section 98 and section 101 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting in each case the words "the Court".

By omitting from subsection (2) of section 230 the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "office of the Supreme Court".

# Consequential Amendments of Other Acts--continued

Title of Act	Amendment
1928, No. 21—The Public Works Act 1928. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 12, p. 475)—ctd	By omitting from the Third Schedule the words "Land Valuation Court", where those words occur in the heading to the Schedule, and substituting the word "Court"; by omitting the words "To the Registrar [or Deputy Registrar] of the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "To the Registrar of the Supreme Court"; by omitting the words "Land Valuation Court, as by the said Act provided", and substituting the words "Court under Part III of the Public Works Act 1928".
1939, No. 39—The Statutes Amendment Act 1939. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 12, p. 551)	By omitting from subsection (1) of section 64 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "the Court".
1944, No. 31—The Finance Act (No. 3) 1944. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 12, pp. 545, 563)	By omitting from subsection (1) of section 29 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "the Court". By repealing paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) of section 34 (as substituted by section 4 (1) of the Finance Act 1959), and substituting the following paragraphs:  "(a) A President of the Court, being such Judge of the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court as the Chief Justice from time to time assigns to the position of President:  "(b) The two additional members of that Division holding office under section 3 of the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948 (as substituted by section 5 of the Land Valuation Proceedings Amendment Act 1968):".

# SECOND SCHEDULE—continued

#### CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS OF OTHER ACTS-continued

Title of Act	Amendment
1947, No. 46—The Public Works Amendment Act 1947. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 12, p. 599)	By omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 4 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "the Court under Part III of the principal Act"; by repealing the proviso to paragraph (c) of the said subsection (5), and substituting the following proviso:  "Provided that, on application made within six months after the public notification of the substituted Proclamation, the time or times for any step or steps may be extended by the said Court to such period not exceeding five years from the execution of the works, and upon or subject to such conditions, as the Court thinks fit."
1948, No. 64—The Land Act 1948. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 7, p. 1.)	By repealing the definition of the term "Land Valuation Court" in section 2.
1949, No. 46 — The Maori Purposes Act 1949. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 13, p. 257.)	By omitting from subsection (1) of section 5 the words "the Land Valuation Court established under the Land Valuation Court Act 1948", and substituting the words "the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court under the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948".  By repealing the definition of the term
Valuation of Land Act 1951. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 16, p. 349.)	"Land Valuation Court" in section 2.
1951, No. 79—The Fees and Travelling Allow- ances Act 1951. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 4, p. 853)	By repealing so much of the Second Schedule as relates to subsection (4) of section 7 of the Land Valuation Court Act 1948.
1952, No. 34—The Land Settlement Promotion Act 1952. (1957 Re- print, Vol. 7, p. 553.)	By repealing the definition of the term "Court", in subsection (1) of section 2, and substituting the following definition: "'Court' means the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the additional members holding office under the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948, in the exercise of its jurisdiction under that Act:".  By omitting from paragraphs (a) and (d) of subsection (4) of section 5 the words "an office of the Land Valuation Court", and substituting in each case the words "the office of the Supreme Court".

# Consequential Amendments of Other Acts-continued

Title of Act	Amendment
1952, No. 34—The Land Settlement Promotion Act 1952. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 7, p. 523.) —continued	By omitting from paragraph (c) of section 14 the words "the Land Valuation Court", in both places where those words occur, and substituting in each case the words "the Court within the meaning of this Act".
1953, No. 94—The Maori Affairs Act 1953. (Reprinted 1964, Vol. 3, p. 1925.)	By omitting from subsection (2) of section 245 the words "the Land Valuation Court established under the Land Valuation Court Act 1948", and substituting the words "the Supreme Court".  By omitting from subsections (3), (4), and (7) of section 245 the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting in each case the words "Supreme Court".  By omitting from subsection (2) of section 348 the words "the Land Valuation Court established under the Land Valuation Court Act 1948", and substituting the words "the Supreme Court".  By omitting from subsections (3), (4), and (7) of section 348 the words "Land Valuation Court", and substituting in each case the words "Supreme Court".
1954, No. 60—The Maori Vested Lands Admin- istration Act 1954. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 9, p. 233.)	Case the words Supreme Court.  By repealing the definition of the term "Valuation Court", in subsection (1) of section 2, and substituting the following definition:  "'Valuation Court' means the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the additional members holding office under the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948, in the exercise of its jurisdiction under that Act:".
1954, No. 85—The Public Works Amendment Act 1954. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 12, p. 538.)	By omitting from subsection (1) of section 2 the words "the Land Valuation Court", and substituting the words "the Court under Part III of the principal Act"; by omitting from subsections (2), (3), (4), and (5) of section 2 the words "the Land Valuation Court", wherever those words occur in those subsections, and substituting in each case the words "the said Court"

Court".

### CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS OF OTHER ACTS—continued

Title of Act	Amendment
1955, No. 38—The Maori Reserved Land Act 1955. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 9, p. 79.)  1957, No. 88—The Oaths and Declara- tions Act 1957. (1957 Reprint, Vol. 11, pp. 389, 394.)  1967, No. 123—The Rating Act 1967.	By repealing the definition of the term "Valuation Court", in subsection (1) of section 2, and substituting the following definition:  "'Valuation Court' means the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the additional members holding office under the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948, in the exercise of its jurisdiction under that Act."  By omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 22 the words "the Judge of the Land Valuation Court".  By omitting from the Second Schedule the words "The Judge of the Land Valuation Court".  By repealing the definition of the term "Court", in section 117, and substituting the following definition:  "'Court' means the Administrative Division of the Supreme Court, including the additional members holding office under the Land Valuation Proceedings Act 1948, in the exercise of its jurisdiction under that Act:".