

MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

1. The purpose of this Bill is to make several miscellaneous amendments to the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933, and its amendments.

2. *Clause 2* increases the maximum general rate from 2s. 6d. in the pound to 3s. in the pound, where the rating is on the annual value, and from 2d. in the pound to 2½d. in the pound where the rating is on the capital value.

3. Section 217 (1) of the principal Act authorizes Borough Councils to establish services for the conveyance of passengers or goods within the borough or, with the consent of any neighbouring local authority, between the borough and any place in the district of that authority. The purpose of *clause 3* is to authorize the Council to enter the district of any other local authority without first obtaining the consent of that authority in cases where the service is one for the carriage to and from school of school children and their teachers or for the carriage of private parties on special occasions.

4. *Clause 4* re-enacts in a modified form paragraph (f) of section 308 (1) of the principal Act, relating to the preparation of publications concerning borough activities. The prior approval of the Minister to the exercise of those powers is no longer to be required, and the provisions are extended so as to authorize Borough Councils to prepare and disseminate information for the public concerning borough activities or having for its object the advancement or development of the borough.

5. *Clause 5* authorizes Borough Councils to approve plans for subdivision subject to the allotments being leased only or subject to the inclusion in any allotment of adjoining land owned by the subdividing owner.

6. *Clause 6* increases the limit of loans for housing purposes under Part I of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, from £1,515 to £2,020.

7. *Clause 7*: Part I of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, authorizes a Borough Council to subdivide for housing purposes any land acquired by it under that Part, to sell or lease the allotments for housing purposes, and to borrow moneys to meet the cost of acquiring, subdividing, and developing the land and constructing streets. This clause extends these provisions to other land vested in the Council and not held by it in trust for any particular purpose other than housing.

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,
15th November, 1950*

Hon. Mr. Bodkin

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ANALYSIS

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to Amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933. Title.

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

5 of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1950, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1933 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). Short Title.
1933, No. 30

10 2. Section seventy-seven of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:— Increasing
maximum
general rate.

(a) By omitting the words “two shillings and sixpence”, and substituting the words “three shillings”:

(b) By omitting the word "twopence", and substituting the words "twopence halfpenny".

Consent of neighbouring local authority not required in respect of services for carriage of school children or private contracts.
1949, No. 7

3. Section two hundred and seventeen of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to subsection one the following proviso:—

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" Provided that, where the service is one which the Council is authorized, pursuant to paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of subsection one of section ninety-seven of the Transport Act, 1949, to carry on without a transport licence under Part VI of that Act, the Council may operate the service between any place within the borough and any place within the district of any other local authority without obtaining the consent of that other local authority."

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Powers of Council in relation to instruction of public concerning borough activities.

4. (1) Subsection one of section three hundred and eight of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (f), and substituting the following paragraph:—

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"(f) From time to time prepare and publish hand-books, abstracts, or other publications containing information and matters of interest relative to the history, administration, and affairs of the borough, purchase publications containing photographic views of the borough, and prepare and disseminate information that is designed to educate and instruct the public concerning local government activities in the borough or that has for its object the advancement or development of the borough."

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Repeal.
1949, No. 51

(2) Section thirty-seven of the Statutes Amendment Act, 1949, is hereby consequentially repealed.

Council may approve plan for leasing purposes only or subject to adjoining land being included.

5. Section three hundred and thirty-two of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to subsection three the following paragraph:—

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"(d) Approve the plan subject to the allotments being disposed of by way of lease only and for a term not exceeding a term fixed by the Council, or subject to the condition that any land which adjoins any allotment shown on the plan and which is owned by the subdividing owner be included

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in and form part of that allotment and that one certificate of title be issued to include the several pieces of land included in that allotment."

- 5 **6.** (1) Section four of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection four the words "one thousand five hundred and fifteen pounds", and substituting the words "two thousand and twenty pounds".
- 10 (2) Section five of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection four the words "one thousand five hundred and fifteen pounds", and substituting the words "two thousand and twenty pounds".
- 15 (3) Section six of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection two the words "one thousand five hundred and fifteen pounds", and substituting the words "two thousand and twenty pounds".
- 20 (4) Section eight of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (a) the words "one thousand five hundred and fifteen pounds", and substituting the words "two thousand and twenty pounds".
- 25 **7.** Section fourteen of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1948, is hereby amended by inserting, after the words "as aforesaid", the words "and any other land vested in it and not held upon trust for any particular purpose other than housing".

Increasing
limit of loans
for housing
purposes.
1948, No. 60

Powers of
Council as to
subdivision of
land for housing
purposes.