

(Mr. O'Conor.)

Miners Franchise Extension.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Law relating to the Miners Franchise. Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the gold-mining population of New Zealand should be entitled to vote at the election of Superintendents of Provinces, as hereinafter provided: Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE 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 shall be "The Miners Franchise Extension Act, 1873." Short Title.

2. In the construction of this Act, the expression "the said Acts" shall mean "The Miners Representation Act, 1862," and any Acts amending the same and now in force relating to the electoral franchise that may be exercised by the holders of miners' rights or business licenses. Interpretation.

3. From and after the passing of this Act, every holder of a miner's right or business license, being duly qualified to vote at the election of a Member of the House of Representatives or of a Member of a Provincial Council as by the said Acts provided, may vote at any election of a Superintendent of the Province in which such miner's right or business license shall have been or may hereafter be issued: Holders of miners' rights or business licenses may vote at election of Superintendents.
Provided that this enactment shall only be in operation within Provinces where the Superintendent is elected by the persons legally qualified therein to elect Members of the Provincial Council of such Province.