This Public Bill originated in the Legislative Council, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

Legislative Council, 22nd August, 1905.

Hon. Mr. Pitt.

MAORI LAND COUNCILS.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Repeal. Term of office of members of present

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900." Title BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Maori Land Councils Short Title. Act, 1905."

2. (1.) Section twenty-one of "The Maori Land Laws Amend-Repeal.

ment Act, 1903," is hereby repealed.

(2.) The elected members of any Council under "The Maori Term of office of 10 Lands Administration Act, 1900," who were in office immediately members of present Councils. prior to the thirteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and five, shall be deemed to have been duly elected members of such Council on that day, and shall continue to hold office until the thirty-15 first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six, on or before which day a fresh election shall be held, and the members then

elected shall come into office on that day. (3.) Members of any Council appointed by the Governor under the provisions of "The Maori Lands Administration Act, 1900," 20 shall be deemed to have been appointed as members of such Council by the Governor on the thirteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and five, and (including members so appointed to replace elected members after the thirteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and five) shall cease to hold office on the thirty-first

25 day of March, one thousand nine hundred and six.

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