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.

16th September, 1925.

Mr. McIlvride.

NAPIER HARBOUR BOARD RATING REGULATION.

[LOCAL BILL.]

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AN ACT to regulate the Rating Operations of the Napier Harbour Board.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand 5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as

follows :---

1. This Act may be cited as the Napier Harbour Board Rating short Title. Regulation Act, 1925.

2. In this Act "the Board" means the Napier Harbour Board. Interpretation. 10 3. Sections four to thirteen, both inclusive, of the Napier Repeal of certain Harbour Board Enabling Act, 1921, and so much of section three of sections of the that Act as is exclusive of the interpretation of the words "the Board Enabling Board " are hereby repealed.

4. All rates heretofore made and levied by any local authority Rates made and 15 within the rating-area of the Board in compliance with resolutions levied by local passed and steps taken by the Board in terms of sections eighty-four valid. and eighty-five and relative sections of the Harbours Act, 1923 (herein called "the Harbours Act"), are hereby declared to be valid, and the provisions of the last-mentioned Act in relation to rates so made

- 20 and levied shall apply accordingly, save that no member of a local authority shall be liable to any fine under section eighty-eight of the same Act by reason of any past refusal or neglect of such local authority to make, levy, and collect any such rate.
- 5. The resolutions passed by the Board as mentioned in the Resolutions of 25 last preceding section hereof, and the steps taken by the Board the Board declared consequent thereon in terms of the Harbours Act, are hereby declared to be valid, and this provision shall apply also to similar resolutions and steps passed and taken in relation to the harbour rate for the current rating year of the Board.

Title.

Act, 1921.

authorities declared

valid.

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Rates in Waipukuran Borough.

"Special" resolution not necessary.

Special Act.

6. The rates in respect of that portion of the rating-area of the Board consisting of the Borough of Waipukurau for the year ended the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, which were not made, levied, and collected by the said borough in compliance with the resolutions of the Board referred to in section 5 four hereof, may be made and levied by the Board together with the rates in respect of the same area for the ensuing year:

Provided always that in cases (if any) where it shall be established that owing to change of ownership of the rateable property the rate so uncollected for the year ended the thirty-first day 10 of December, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, would fall upon any person or persons other than the person or persons on whom the same would have fallen if the same had been made and levied in compliance with the resolutions aforesaid the same shall not be recoverable by the Board. 15

7. Sections eighty-four and eighty-five of the Harbours Act, 1923, shall, in relation to the Board, be read and construed as if the word "special" did not occur before the word "resolution" in every case where the words "special resolution" occur in the said sections respectively.

8. This Act shall be deemed to be a special Act within the meaning of the Harbours Act.

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