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,

5th November, 1912.

Hon. Mr Fraser.

RAILWAYS AUTHORIZATION.

ANALYSIS.

1. Short Title.

2. Certain railways authorized. 3. How cost to be defrayed.

4. Act to be deemed a special Act.

5. Repeal. Schedule.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to authorize the Construction of certain Railways. 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. This Act may be cited as the Railways Authorization Act, short Title. 1912.

2. The Governor may from time to time, in the name and on Certain railways behalf of His Majesty, undertake or enter into contracts for the con- authorized. 10 struction of the railways mentioned in the Schedule hereto to the extent specified in that Schedule.

3. The cost of constructing such railways shall be paid out of How cost to be moneys to be appropriated for that purpose by Parliament.

4. This Act shall be deemed to be a special Act (authorizing Act to be deemed 15 the construction of such railways to the extent specified in the special Act. Schedule hereto) within the meaning and for the purposes of the Public Works Act, 1908, which Act is, so far as applicable, hereby incorporated with this Act.

5. So much of the Schedule to the Railways Authorization Repeal. 20 Act, 1910, as authorizes a portion of the East Coast Main Trunk Railway from Gisborne southwards, is hereby repealed.

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. Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Railway.	Extent authorized.
1. North Auckland (Branch Line to Whangarei)	A branch line from Whangarei, via Kioreroa, to a junction with the North Auckland Railway. Length about twenty miles.
2. North Island Main Trunk (Wai- uku Branch)	From Main Trunk, via Patumahoe, to Waiuku. Length about twelve miles.
	From Makaraka in a westerly and south- westerly direction to Hangaroa. Length about twenty-six miles.
4. Foxton - New Plymouth (Opunake Branch)	From Foxton-New Plymouth Main Line to Opunake. Length about twenty-three miles.
5. Wellington-Napier (Featherston- Martinborough Branch)	From Featherston to Martinborough. Length about eleven miles.
6. Hurunui - Waitaki (Culverden- Waiau Branch)	From Culverden to Waiau. Length about fourteen miles.
7. Waitaki-Bluff (Balclutha - Tua- peka Mouth Branch)	From Balclutha to Tuapeka Mouth. Length about twenty-one miles.

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