

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,
27th October, 1922.*

Hon. Mr. Downie Stewart.

RATING AMENDMENT.

Title.

ANALYSIS.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Short Title. 2. Section 11 of principal Act extended. 3. Local authorities may allow rebate for prompt payment of rates. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Section 71 of principal Act amended. 5. Provision for fees when land sold to satisfy judgment for rates. |
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A BILL INTITLED

AN ACT to amend the Rating Act, 1908.

Title.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Rating Amendment Act, 1922, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Rating Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title.

2. (1.) Section eleven of the principal Act is hereby extended so as to apply to any society or association of persons whether corporate or unincorporate in the same manner as it applies to companies.

Section 11 of principal Act extended.

(2.) In default of nomination of a person to be entered in the valuation list as the occupier of the property of any society or association as aforesaid, the chairman or the secretary thereof shall be deemed to be and shall be so entered as occupier.

3. (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act or any other Act, a local authority may, by resolution, decide to allow to every ratepayer a rebate not exceeding five per centum of so much of the amount of rates payable by him as is paid before the expiration of thirty days after the due date thereof.

Local authorities may allow rebate for prompt payment of rates.

(2.) Such resolution may apply generally to all rates made and levied by the local authority, or to such rates only as may be specified in the resolution, and shall take effect according to the tenor thereof.

(3.) The resolution shall be publicly notified, and the purport thereof shall be printed on the face of every demand for rates to which it applies.

4. Section seventy-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting the words "two years," and substituting the words "three years."

Section 71 of principal Act amended.

Provision for fees where land sold to satisfy judgment for rates.

5. Section seventy-three of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

- (a.) By adding to subsection one the words “together with a fee of *one* pound.”
- (b.) By omitting from subsection two the words “including a fee of *one* pound to the Registrar.” 5
- (c.) By inserting, after subsection four, the following new subsection:—
 “(4A.) In respect of every sale under this section the Registrar shall charge a fee of two and a half per centum 10 of the amount of the purchase-money where the purchase-money does not exceed two hundred pounds, and, where the purchase-money exceeds two hundred pounds, shall charge a fee of *five* pounds, together with an amount equal to one and a quarter per centum of the excess 15 over two hundred pounds, save that in no case shall the fee be less than *one* pound or more than *twenty* pounds.”
- (d.) By omitting from subsection five the words “to the same local authority for which judgment has been obtained,” and substituting the words “at the date of the sale in 20 respect of the same property.”