

*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,  
25th May, 1888.*

*Hon. Mr. Stevens.*

## RIVER BOARDS ACT AMENDMENT.

### ANALYSIS.

Title.  
Preamble.  
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2. Waipawa and Ashburton Forks River Districts declared duly constituted.  
3. Validation of things done.  
4. Second Schedule of Act of 1884 amended.  
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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to declare the River Districts of Waipawa and of Ashburton Forks to be River Districts under "The River Boards Act, 1884." Title.

5 WHEREAS the River Districts of Waipawa and of Ashburton Forks were in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four duly constituted river districts under the Acts then in force, but, the names of the said districts having by error been omitted from the Second Schedule of "The River Boards Act, 1884" (herein referred Preamble.  
10 to as "the said Act"), they are not river districts duly constituted, although the River Boards of the said districts respectively have assumed the status, discharged duties, and done acts as if they had been duly constituted under the said Act :

For rectification thereof :

15 BE IT 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 is "The River Boards Act Amendment Act, 1888." Short Title.

20 2. The River Districts of Waipawa and of Ashburton Forks, which were constituted river districts under "The Hawke's Bay Rivers Act, 1876," and "The Canterbury Rivers Act, 1870," respectively, are hereby declared to be constituted river districts under "The River Boards Act, 1884," and shall respectively be deemed Waipawa and Ashburton Forks River Districts declared duly constituted.  
25 have been duly constituted under the said Act for all purposes and in all respects as if the said river districts had been mentioned in the Second Schedule of the said Act.

3. Every election held, valuation made, rate struck, contract entered into, and every other act, matter, and thing of what kind or Validation of thing done.  
30 nature soever, made, done, or suffered, or purporting to be made, done, or suffered, under "The River Boards Act, 1884," or any Act in amendment thereof, within the said river districts, or either of

them, or by or on behalf of the Waipawa River Board or the Council of the County of Ashburton in its capacity as the River Board for the Ashburton Forks River District respectively, or either such Board or Council, prior to the date of the passing of this Act, shall, so far as the validity thereof depends on the facts mentioned in the preamble hereto, be and be deemed to have been as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if the names of the said river districts had been inserted in the Second Schedule to the said Act. 5

Second Schedule  
of Act of 1884  
amended.

4. The Second Schedule of the said Act shall be read and construed as if the matter contained in the Schedule to this Act had been incorporated with the said Second Schedule at the time of the passing thereof. 10

The said Second Schedule is hereby amended by the substitution of the figures "1602" for the figures "1567" where the latter appear in the third column thereof. 15

Schedule.

### SCHEDULE.

Name of River District.	Corporate Name of Board.	Date of Constitution, and Boundaries.	Number of Members of Board.	Members by Election and by whom elected.
HAWKE'S BAY. Waipawa .. ..	"The Waipawa River Board"	Feb. 19, 1884; <i>N. Z. Gazette</i> , 1884, page 336	Five ..	Ratepayers of the district.
CANTERBURY. Ashburton Forks..	"The Council of the County of Ashburton"	Jan. 26, 1884; <i>N.Z. Gazette</i> , 1884, page 231	..	..