## RESTRICTIONS EXTINGUISHMENT INVALIDATION.

## ANALYSIS.

Title. Preamble.

Short Title.

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2. Indorsements on any grants, &c., of lands in Schedule invalidated.

3. Future indorsements, &c., prohibited, except by resolution of House. Schedule.

## A BILL INTITULED

An Act to render null and void certain Sales of Native Land which Title. have been made after Restrictions against Alienation had been removed from the Crown grants by the Governor in Council, and to reimpose such Restrictions.

WHEREAS certain Crown grants have from time to time been issued Preamble. to Natives containing restrictions against alienation otherwise than by lease: And whereas a return has been published, set out in the Schedule hereto, purporting to be a return of cases in which restric-

10 tions on alienation contained in or indorsed upon grants of land to Maoris have been removed by the Governor subsequent to the end of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, and prior to the end of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three: And whereas the lands from which such restrictions have been removed

15 have since been sold: And whereas the purchasers were in some cases parties to the clandestine removal of such restrictions: whereas it is necessary by enactment to prevent any future removal of restrictions in a similar manner, and to reimpose the restrictions clandestinely removed, as aforesaid:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zea-20 land in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Restrictions Extinguish- Short Title. ment Invalidation Act, 1883."

25 2. Every indorsement or memorandum made, whether upon any Indorsements on grant or otherwise, and every consent or approval howsoever given, any grants. &c., of lands in Schedule whereby the several blocks or parcels of lands, or any of them, men-invalidated. tioned in the Schedule to this Act are, or have been, or purport to be alienated, or enabled so to be, or whereby any restriction, condition, 30 or limitation against the alienation thereof is, or purports to be, or to have been removed or extinguished, is not and shall not be deemed ever to have been of any force or effect; and every sale or other alienation which has taken place consequent upon the removal of restrictions is hereby declared to be absolutely null and void:

35 Provided that this Act shall not be deemed to preclude or prohibit the ordinary right of any person or persons prejudiced by the operation thereof from seeking compensation therefor by petition to the House of Representatives.

3. No such indorsement, memorandum, consent, or approval, as Future indorse-40 in the last preceding section mentioned, in relation to the said blocks ments, &c., prohibited, except or parcels of lands, or any of them, or any part thereof respectively, shall be made or given until after resolution to that effect by the House of Representatives.

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SCHEDULE.

Schedule.