

Hon. Mr. Smith.

RENT RESTRICTION EXTENSION.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to extend the Scope and Duration of the Law relating to the Restriction of Rent. 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 Rent Restriction Extension Act, 1931. Short Title.

2. (1) This section shall apply to every dwellinghouse or part thereof let as a separate dwelling, which (being situated within the earthquake area as defined by the Hawke's Bay Earthquake Act, 1931) was let on the *third* day of *February*, nineteen hundred and thirty-one, or has been let at any time since that date, at a rental not exceeding the sum of *one hundred and four* pounds per annum. Special provisions as to application of rent-restriction legislation to dwellinghouses in Hawke's Bay Earthquake area.

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Part I of the War Legislation Amendment Act, 1916, or in any enactment amending the same, application may be made to a Stipendiary Magistrate by or on behalf of the tenant of any dwellinghouse or part of a dwellinghouse to which this section applies, for an order declaring that the said enactments shall be applied to such dwellinghouse or such part thereof, as the case may be.

(3) On the hearing of any such application the Magistrate shall proceed in the same manner in all respects as if the application were an application made under section four of the Rent Restriction Act, 1926, and the provisions of subsections four, five, and six of that section shall, with the necessary modifications, apply in the case of applications under this section in the same manner as to applications made under the said section four :

Provided that no order made for the purposes of this section shall be made retrospective to any date earlier than the *third* day of *February*, nineteen hundred and thirty-one.

(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the application of the *next succeeding* section, or of the enactments therein referred to.

Repeal.

(5) Paragraph (s) of subsection one of section sixty-six of the Hawke's Bay Earthquake Act, 1931, is hereby repealed. 5

Extension of duration of law as to restriction of rent until 1st August, 1932.

3. (1) Part I of the War Legislation Amendment Act, 1916, and the several amendments thereof, in so far as those enactments are in force on the passing of this Act, shall continue in force until the *first* day of *August*, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and shall then be deemed to be repealed. 10

Repeal.

(2) Section three of the Rent Restriction Act, 1930, is hereby repealed.