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, 29th September, 1925.

Hon. Mr. Anderson.

SHIPPING AND SEAMEN AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

1. Short Title and commencement. 2. Section 130 of principal Act amended.

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3. Section 188 of principal Act amended by ex-

empting farmers' launches from survey.

4. Section 208 of principal Act amended by increasing penalty for submerged load-line.

A BILL INTITULED

An Acr to amend the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:—

Title.

1. (1.) This Act may be cited as the Shipping and Seamen short Title and Amendment Act, 1925, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

(2.) This Act shall come into operation on the day on which His Majesty's assent thereto is notified by the Governor-General by a Proclamation published in the Gazette, or on such later date (being not later than three months after the date of the Proclamation) as is specified in that behalf in the Proclamation.

2. Section one hundred and thirty of the principal Act is hereby Section 130 of amended by omitting the words "by reason of drunkenness," and principal Act amended. substituting the words "while in a state of intoxication."

3. Section one hundred and eighty-eight of the principal Act is Section 188 of hereby amended by adding, after paragraph (aa) as set out in section principal Act 20 thirty of the Shipping and Seamen Amendment Act, 1909, the following paragraph:-

'(ab.) If the ship does not exceed six tons register and, being owned by a person engaged in some agricultural or

> pastoral pursuit, is employed in carrying the produce or other goods of the owner, and does not carry passengers or freight for hire, she shall not be subject to the provisions of this Act relating to survey and to carrying certificated officers:

> "Provided that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to a ship whose length measured in accordance with any regulations for ascertaining the tonnage of such ships exceeds forty feet."

4. Section two hundred and eight of the principal Act is hereby Section 208 of amended by omitting from subsection six thereof the words "one principal Act amended by hundred pounds," and substituting the words "one thousand pounds." increasing penalty

for submerged load-line.

farmers' launches

from survey.