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Hon. Mr Allen

# SOIL CONSERVATION AND RIVERS CONTROL AMENDMENT

#### ANALYSIS

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# A BILL INTITULED

### An Act to amend the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941

5 BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand 5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1967, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Soil Conservation

10 and Rivers Control Act 1941\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

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1A. Constitution of Boards—Section 41 of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from subsection (4) the word 15 "fifteen", and substituting the word "sixteen".

<sup>\*1957</sup> Reprint, Vol. 14, p. 637 Amendments: 1958, No. 93; 1959, No. 48; 1960, No. 89; 1961, No. 101; 1962, No. 125; 1963, No. 44; 1964, No. 59; 1965, No. 111

2. Riding or group of ridings may be declared separate constituent district—(1) The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 42, the following section:

"42A. If having regard to community of interest, contiguity, or other relevant considerations, it appears expedient to the 5 Governor-General to do so, the Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, declare that any riding or any group of ridings in a county, being a riding or ridings situated within a catchment district, shall be a separate constituent district for the purposes of this Act, and, on the 10 publication of any such Order in Council in the *Gazette*, it shall have effect according to its tenor.

"(2) Where part only of a riding is situated within a particular catchment district, the provisions of this section shall apply to that part in all respects as if that part were a 15 complete riding."

(2) Subsection (1) of section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to the definition of the term "constituent district" the following paragraph:

"(d) Any constituent district for the time being constituted 20 by Order in Council under section 42A of this Act (as inserted by section 2 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1967):".

**3. Making of special orders**—Section 76 of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (b) the word 25 "forty-second", and substituting the word "seventieth".

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**4. Appeals**—Section 103 of the principal Act (as substituted by section 18 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1959) is hereby amended by omitting from 30 subsection (8) the words "Registrar of the Court", and substituting the words "Court which, or the Magistrate who, is to hear the appeal".

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<sup>"</sup> 4. Appeals—Section 103 of the principal Act (as substituted 35 by section 18 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1959) is hereby amended by repealing subsection (8), and substituting the following subsection:

"(8) Every appeal shall be heard at such time and place as the Court which, or the Magistrate who, is to hear the appeal 40 shall determine, and may be adjourned from time to time New

and from place to place. The Registrar shall give notice of the time and place of every hearing or adjourned hearing to the Valuer-General and the Board and to any other parties to the 5 proceedings of whom he is aware."

5. Amendment of classification list-Section 105 of the principal Act (as amended by section 19 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1959) is hereby further amended by inserting in subsection (4), after the word

10 "included", the words "or where the classification list and the classification plan are found to be inconsistent in respect of particular land".

6. Separate classification lists for particular rates-Subsection (3) of section 106 of the principal Act is hereby 15 amended by adding the following proviso:

- "Provided that, where special circumstances make it inequitable to adopt the same classification for the special rate and any such maintenance rate, the Board may, with the consent of the Council, make and levy any such main-
- 20 tenance rate on a graduated scale according to a classification specially made for that purpose."

7. Unauthorised expenditure—(1) Section 116 of the principal Act (as inserted by section 21 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1959 and amended 25 by section 6 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1964 and by section 7 (1) of the Decimal Currency Act 1964) is hereby further amended by omitting the words "four hundred dollars", and substituting the words "six hundred dollars".

30 (2) Section 6 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Amendment Act 1964 is hereby consequentially repealed.

8. Power to breach stopbanks—Section 126 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in subsection (2), after the words "deeds", the words "including the breaching of any

35 stopbank".

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