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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,  
1st August, 1901.

Mr. Guinness.

STATE-SCHOOL CHILDREN DRILL.

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2. Compulsory to teach physical drill to boys and girls attending public schools.	5. Children attending Native schools to be taught physical drill.
3. Education Board to make regulations.	6. Boys and girls may be exempt from operation of Act.
4. Boards to furnish quarterly reports to Minister of Education.	7. Date Act comes into operation.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide that Education Boards shall cause Physical Drill to be taught to Boys and Girls attending Public Schools. Title.

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 State-school Children Drill Act, 1901," and it shall be read with and form part of "The Education Act, 1877." Short Title.

2. It shall be the duty of the Board of Education in each district constituted under "The Education Act, 1877," to cause physical drill to be taught to all boys and girls over the age of eight years attending the public schools in the school district. Compulsory to teach physical drill to boys and girls attending public schools.

3. The Education Board of each district shall from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make regulations and orders for fixing the times which shall be appointed and set apart for instructing boys and girls of the required age in physical drill, and the mode in which such instruction shall be given; and the Education Board of each district may from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, alter or repeal any such regulations. Education Board to make regulations.

4. Every Education Board shall furnish a quarterly report to the Minister of Education showing that the requirements of this Act and the regulations made thereunder are being complied with. Boards to furnish quarterly reports to Minister of Education.

5. Out of the vote provided for Native schools the Minister of Education shall make provision for the teaching of physical drill to all children over the age of eight years attending Maori schools. Children attending Native schools to be taught physical drill.

6. Upon the principal teacher of any school being satisfied that any boy or girl is unfit to undergo physical drill, such boy or girl shall be exempted from being instructed in such drill. Boys and girls may be exempt from operation of Act.

7. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and two. Date Act comes into operation.