# SUMMARY PROCEEDINGS AMENDMENT BILL

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill empowers the Attorney-General to stay proceedings in respect of summary offences at any time before the defendant has been convicted or otherwise dealt with. The Attorney-General already has this power in respect of indictable offences under section 173 of the principal Act and section 378 of the Crimes Act 1961.

### Hon. Mr Hanan

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#### **ANALYSIS**

Title
1. Short Title

2. Stay of proceedings

### A BILL INTITULED

## An Act to amend the Summary Proceedings Act 1957

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

- 1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Summary Proceedings Amendment Act 1967, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Summary Proceedings Act 1957\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
- 2. Stay of proceedings—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 77, the following section: "77A. The Attorney-General may, at any time after an information has been laid against any person under this Part of this Act and before that person has been convicted or otherwise dealt with, direct that an entry be made in the Criminal Record Book that the proceedings are stayed by his direction, and on that entry being made the proceedings shall be stayed accordingly."

\*Reprinted with amendments, 1966, Vol. 4, p. 3101

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