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THAMES HARBOUR.

[LOCAL BILL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to alter the Boundaries of the Thames Harbour District Title. and the Constitution of the Thames Harbour Board.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Thames Harbour Act, 1922.

Short Title.

2. In this Act the expression "the said Act" means the Thames Interpretation.

Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Act, 1920.

3. The First Schedule to the said Act is hereby repealed, and Harbour district the First Schedule to this Act is substituted therefor. All references reconstituted. in the said Act to the First Schedule to that Act shall hereafter be deemed to be references to the First Schedule to this Act.

4. The Third Schedule to the said Act is hereby repealed, Maximum 15 and the Second Schedule to this Act is substituted therefor. All proportion of rates references in the said Act to the Third Schedule to that Act shall hereafter be deemed to be references to the Second Schedule to this Act.

5. (1.) The levy to be made pursuant to subsection four of Amendment of 20 section twenty-three of the said Act shall be made upon the capital subsection (4) of section 23, Thames value of all rateable property as such term is defined by the Rating Harbour Board Loan Act, 1908, and amendments, in the Boroughs of Thames, Waihi, Act, 1920. Paeroa, Te Aroha, and Morrinsville, the Town Districts of Turua and Matamata, and such portions of the Counties of Thames, Hauraki 25 Plains, Ohinemuri, Piako, and Matamata as are within the area defined in the First Schedule hereto. Such levy shall not exceed in respect of each such local authority the respective amounts set out in the Second Schedule hereto:

Provided, however, that the Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, on application in that behalf made by the Board, vary the proportions specified in the Second Schedule hereto as from a date to be fixed by that Order.

(2.) The last preceding subsection is in substitution for subsection four of section twenty-three of the said Act, and that subsection is

hereby accordingly repealed.

6. (1.) If a proposal to raise a loan under the provisions of the said Act is duly carried as provided by that Act, then (but only in such event) the constitution of the Thames Harbour Board shall 10 be varied as by this Act is provided, and that portion of the First Schedule to the Harbours Amendment Act, 1910, relating to the Thames Harbour Board, and section seven of the Hauraki Plains, Thames, Ohinemuri, and Piako Counties Act, 1919, shall be and be deemed to be repealed.

(2.) The Thames Harbour Board shall on and after such day as the Governor-General shall by Order in Council appoint, but subsequent to the carrying of such poll, consist of nine members, of whom five shall form a quorum, and such members shall be

respectively elected or appointed as follows:—

One to be appointed from time to time by the Governor-General:

Two to be elected by the electors of Thames and Hauraki Plains Counties and the Turua Town District:

Two to be elected by the electors of the Piako County and 25 the Boroughs of Te Aroha and Morrinsville:

One to be elected by the electors of the Matamata County and Matamata Town District:

One to be elected by the electors of Ohinemuri County and Boroughs of Waihi and Paeroa:

One to be elected by the electors of the Borough of Thames:

One to be elected by the payers of harbour dues.

7. (1.) The Thames Harbour Board shall, on a day to be fixed by the Governor-General by Order in Council subsequent to such poll being declared, duly carried, hold an election of elective members of 35 the Board, and by the same or any subsequent Order the Governor-General may make all such provisions as he deems necessary for the purpose of that election, and may fix the time and place for the first meeting of such Board.

(2.) Such election shall be deemed to be a first election held 40 under the provisions of the Harbours Amendment Act, 1910, and the members of such Board shall hold office and may be respectively re-elected and appointed in accordance with the provisions of that

Act.

New election, how and when held.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Schedules.

THAMES HARBOUR DISTRICT.

ALL that area of land comprising the boroughs of Thames, Waihi, Paeroa, Te Aroha, and Morrinsville, the town districts of Matamata and Turua, the Hauraki Plains County, and portions of the Thames, Ohinemuri, Piako, and Matamata Counties. Commencing at a point on the ordinary high-water mark on the Firth of Thames upon the left bank of the Waikawau Stream at the mouth of such stream; thence bounded on the north generally by the Coromandel County to the summit of the main range between Oteao and Kapowai Streams; thence proceeding southward along the summit of the main dividing watershed of the Hauraki Peninsula which separates the streams flowing into the Tasman Sea from the streams flowing into the Firth of Thames and the Waihou River; bounded towards the east generally by portions of the Thames and Ohinemuri Counties to the boundary of the Tauranga County; thence on the south-east and north-east by the Tauranga County to Puwhenua Trigonometrical Station No. 27; thence on the south-east by the Rotorua County, to the point of intersection of the arc of a circle of 80 miles radius from Thames Harbour on the Rotorua-Piako County boundary; thence on the south by portion of Matamata County following the arc of a circle aforesaid as delineated on Plan M. D. 5411, a record of the Department of Marine, passing through a point 1400 links due north of Trigonometrical Station No. 999 to its intersection with the. right bank of the Waikato River opposite Epuhunga No. 10 Block; thence on the west by the Waikato River to the southern boundary of Section 9, Block XII, Maungatautari Survey District; thence on the north-west, south-west and south by portions of the Matamata and Piako Counties as particularly delineated on Plan M. D. 5411 aforesaid; thence on the south-west by the Waikato County to Pukorokoro on the ordinary high-water mark of the Firth of Thames; thence on the north and west by the ordinary high-water mark of the Firth of Thames to the point of commencement at Waikawau Stream.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Maximum Proportion of Special Rate to be borne by Areas within the Thames Harbour District.

| Thames Borough | ••• | One penny farthing in the pound. |
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| Thames County | | One penny in the pound. |
| Hauraki Plains County | У | Three-farthings in the pound. |
| Turau Town District | | Three-farthings in the pound. |
| Ohinemuri County | | One half-penny in the pound. |
| Paeroa Borough | | One eighth of a penny in the pound. |
| Piako County | | One third of a penny in the pound. |
| Morrinsville Borough | | One sixteenth of a penny in the pound. |
| Matamata County | | One farthing in the pound. |
| Matamata Town Distr | ict | One sixteenth of a penny in the pound. |
| Waihi Borough | | One eighth of a penny in the pound. |
| Tr. A. I. D. J. J. J. | | One eighth of a penny in the pound. |
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