

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,
20th August, 1894.

[AS AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.]

Mr. Hall-Jones.

TIMARU HARBOUR DISTRICT RATING.

[LOCAL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Existing Methods of rating the Timaru Harbour District to raise the Funds required towards providing Interest on the Loans authorised by the Timaru Harbour Board Loan Acts, 1881 and 1885. Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make further provision for rating the Timaru Harbour District to raise the funds required towards providing interest on the loans authorised by the above-mentioned Acts: Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE 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 Timaru Harbour District Rating Act, 1894." It shall commence and come into force on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Short Title.

2. The definitions contained in section two of "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1885," shall, unless there is something inconsistent in the context, apply to all similar expressions used in this Act. Interpretation.

3. The Clerk of the Council of each county and borough, and of each Road Board and Board of Commissioners of each town district now or hereafter constituted (where the whole or any portion of the county, borough, road district, or town district over which such Council or Board exercises jurisdiction is comprised within the limits of the Timaru Harbour District), shall, on application in writing by the Chairman of the Timaru Harbour Board, and on payment of the actual cost of copying and compiling the same, forward to such Chairman a statement in writing, signed by such Clerk, of the total rateable value of the rateable property in the county, borough, road district, or town district of the Council or Board of which he is Clerk, as appearing in the valuation-roll for the time being in force in such county, borough, road district, or town County Councils, &c., to supply statements of rateable values.

Statements to include Crown lands.

Statements to form basis for allocating contributions.

Proviso.

Rates to be made on capital value of all rateable property in district.

Repeal.

district, and, in cases where only a portion of any county, borough, road district, or town district is comprised within such harbour district, shall show in such statement the total rateable value of the rateable property comprised in such portion, and in such statement shall also show separately the total value of all Crown lands included in the valuation of any such county, borough, road district, or town district, or portion thereof, as aforesaid; and it shall be lawful for the said Harbour Board to adopt such statements as the basis of allocating the contributions payable under "The Timaru Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1890," so far as such counties, boroughs, road districts, and town districts are concerned, so long as the valuation-rolls from which such statements are compiled remain in force; and thereafter like statements shall, on such application as aforesaid, be compiled from each succeeding valuation-roll and forwarded, and may be adopted in like manner: Provided that, so long as "The Rating Act, 1882," is not in force in any borough, county, road district, or town district, or any part thereof comprised within the limits of the Timaru Harbour District, or the principle of rating on capital value otherwise established by law therein as to rates made by the Council or Board thereof, the basis on which the contribution payable under the provisions of "The Timaru Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1890," by the Council or Board of each such borough, county, road district, or town district shall be allocated, shall be sixteen times the total amount of the annual value of the rateable property in the said borough, county, road district, or town district, or part thereof, as appearing in the statement to be furnished by the Clerk of the Council or Board of such borough, county, road district, or town district as aforesaid.

4. The rates authorised by "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1881," and "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act, 1885," shall be made on the capital value of all rateable property in the Timaru Harbour District, and for the purpose of making such rate in any borough, county, road district, or town district, or any part thereof comprised within the limits of the Timaru Harbour District, the Clerk of the Council or Board of each such borough, county, road district, or town district shall, so long as "The Rating Act, 1882," is not in force in such borough, county, road district, or town district, or the principle of rating on capital value otherwise established by law therein as to rates made by the Council or Board thereof, on application in writing from time to time by the Chairman of the said Harbour Board, and on payment of such sum as will defray the actual cost of copying the same, forward to such Chairman a copy of the valuation-roll for the time being in force in such borough, county, road district, or town district, or part thereof, and the said rates shall, so far as such borough, county, road district, or town district, or part thereof is concerned, be made on a sum equal to sixteen times the annual value set opposite each rateable property in such roll, so long as such roll remains in force.

5. "The Timaru Harbour Board Loan Act 1885 Amendment Act, 1888," section nine of "The Timaru Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1890," and the definition of "rateable value" in section two of the last-mentioned Act, so far as such definition applies to the Borough of Timaru, are hereby repealed.

New clauses.

6. Nothing contained in "The Rating Act, 1894," shall prejudice or affect the power of the said Harbour Board to allocate and recover contributions in manner provided by "The Timaru Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1890," as amended by this Act. Allocation of contributions not affected by "Rating Act, 1894."
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7. Wherever in "The Timaru Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1890," or in this Act, reference is made to rateable value, such reference shall, in respect of all boroughs, counties, road districts, and town districts and parts thereof respectively comprised within the Timaru Harbour District wherein "The Rating on Unimproved Value Act, 1894," is adopted or is in force, be construed as referring to the gross value under that Act. Rateable value defined.
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