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.

22nd September, 1924.

[AS REPORTED FROM THE LOCAL BILLS COMMITTEE A.] Legislative Council, 7th October, 1924.

Mr. Hockly.

WHAKATANE BOROUGH EMPOWERING.

[LOCAL BILL.]

ANALYSIS.

Title.

1. Short Title.

2. Empowering capitalization of £1,200 interest.

3. Empowering purchase of not more than 50 acres of land with power to postpone payment.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to empower the Whakatane Borough Council to capitalize Title. Interest and acquire certain Land.

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 Whakatane Borough Empower- Short Title.

ing Act, 1924.

2. Whereas the Whakatane Borough Council owes the Public Empowering 10 Trustee the sum of forty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty pounds capitalization of £1,200 of interest. for money lent at different times: And whereas on the first day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, there will be owing and payable to the Public Trustee one thousand two hundred and ninety-six pounds ten shillings by way of interest on the said 15 money lent: And whereas the said Council has applied to the Public Trustee to capitalize the sum of one thousand two hundred pounds out of the said sum of one thousand two hundred and ninety-six pounds ten shillings, which the Public Trustee has agreed to do, subject to the said Council issuing to the 20 Public Trustee, in a form approved by him, debentures securing the payment of the said sum of one thousand two hundred pounds, together with interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, charged on a special rate leviable by the said Council without consent of the ratepayers of the Whakatane Borough, charged on the 25 rateable property of the ratepayers of the said borough for such an amount and to be paid in such manner as is deemed necessary to secure the repayment of the said debentures at the time or times that such debentures respectively become payable, and subject also to the

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said sum of one thousand two hundred pounds at the rate usually charged in the Public Trust office in such cases, computed from the time that each amount of interest constituting the said sum of one thousand two hundred pounds became pavable until the date when the said debentures are issued: Now, therefore, the said Council is authorized and empowered:-

(a) To capitalize the said sum of one thousand two hundred pounds, and to issue to the Public Trustee in a form approved by him debentures securing the repayment of the said sum of one thousand two hundred pounds, 10 together with interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, charged on a special rate provided for in the next succeeding paragraph:

(b.) To levy a special rate, without obtaining the consent of the ratepayers of the borough, for such an amount and to be 15 paid in such manner as is found necessary to secure the payment of the sum or sums secured by the said debentures at the time or times when such sum or sums respectively become payable:

(c.) To pay interest on the said sum of one thousand two 20 hundred pounds at the rate usually charged in the Public Trust Office in similar cases, computed from the time that each amount of interest constituting the said sum of one thousand two hundred pounds became payable until the date when the said debentures are issued.

Struck out. 3. Whereas it is necessary to secure an area of land outside the confines of the Borough of Whakatane for a sanitary depot for the said borough: And whereas the said borough has installed a hydroelectric plant, and it is desirable to grow new hardwood poles for 30 use in the transmission-lines: Now, therefore, the said Whakatane Borough Council is authorized and empowered to purchase a parcel or parcels of land in the County of Whakatane, not exceeding in area fifty acres, at a price not exceeding seven hundred and fifty pounds, on such terms as may be approved by the Minister of Internal Affairs, securing payment of the balance of purchase-money within seven years at a rate of interest not exceeding six and a half per centum per annum.

Empowering purchase of not more than 50 acres of land with power to postpone payment.

By Authority: W. A. G. SKINNER, Government Printer, Wellington.—1924.

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