This Public Bill originated in the House of Repre-SENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,

15th November, 1932.

[As amended by the Legislative Council.] 30th November, 1932.

Mr. Semple.

WELLINGTON CITY EMPOWERING AND AMENDMENT.

[LOCAL BILL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Hutt Road Amendment Act, Title. 1917; to confer further Powers on the Council in relation to the Expenditure of certain Unexpended Loan-moneys; to amend the Wellington College and 5 Girls'-High School Act, 1887; and to provide for the Establishment of a Selling-price Stabilization Reserve Fund in respect of the Wellington City Milk-supply Undertaking.

No. 2-5.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1932.

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2. "Council" means the Wellington City Council.

3. Section three of the Hutt Road Amendment Act, 1917, is hereby amended by repealing subsection three thereof, and substituting therefor the following:—

"(3) The parts of the Hutt Road so constructed shall, 10 if—and—when where the formed roadway available for vehicular traffic extends at least eight feet on each side of the parts of the Hutt Road so constructed, be available after such construction only for motor-vehicles having rubber tires, or some similar tires approved by 15 the Board, subject to this limitation and exception: that any other vehicle may be driven directly across such parts of the Hutt Road so constructed, but only for the purpose of reaching some premises that the driver desires to reach, or for the purpose of reaching 20 some road or street that junctions with the Hutt Road, or for the purpose of crossing over to the proper side of the Hutt Road."

4. It shall be and be deemed to have been lawful for the Council to utilize the unexpended balances of the 25 following loans, namely: The Wellington City Unemployment Loan, 1930 (balance, thirteen thousand six hundred and sixty-three pounds), and the Wellington City Unemployment Loan, 1929 (No. 3), (balance, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three pounds), for 30 any public work whatsoever heretofore or hereafter undertaken by the Council for the relief of unemployment:

Provided that the Local Government Loans Board, having regard to the probable duration and continuing utility of such public work, may, if it thinks fit, require 35 the Council to make, in addition to provision already made in that behalf pursuant to the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, such provision as the Board directs with respect to the repayment of such loans as aforesaid; and if the Council fails to make such additional provision, 40 moneys expended pursuant to this section shall be deemed to have been unlawfully expended.

Short Title.

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Council authorized to apply unexpended loan-moneys of two unemployment loans for any public work undertaken for the relief of unemployment.

5. The balance unexpended at the passing of this council Act, amounting to nine thousand one hundred and forty-five pounds, of loan-moneys of the Wellington City Public Conveniences Loan, 1927, may, notwith-5 standing any restriction affecting the application of such loan-moneys, and notwithstanding the fact that the whole of the works included in the proposal for the said loan have not been carried out, be applied for the construction of any public conveniences in the city.

6. The balance unexpended at the passing of this Council Act, amounting to one hundred and thirteen thousand two hundred and eighty-six pounds, of loan-moneys of the Wellington City Water-supply Loan, 1920, may, notwithstanding any restriction affecting the application 15 of such loan-moneys, and notwithstanding the fact that the whole of the works included in the proposal of the said loan have not been carried out, be applied for the purposes of any waterworks to be undertaken by the Council.

7. (1) No unexpended balance of any of the loans 20 mentioned in sections five and six hereof shall be expended as provided in those sections unless and until authority in that behalf is given by the Local Government Loans

(2) The provisions of subsections two to seven of 25 section forty-seven of the Finance Act, 1929, shall apply to every application by the Council for authority as aforesaid, and the Local Government Loans Board may, in its discretion, give such authority either as to the whole 30 or to any part of any proposal submitted to it, and either unconditionally or subject to such terms, conditions, and stipulations as it thinks fit to impose.

Struck out. 8. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act the Council shall not take water from any well sunk in any of the boroughs of Petone, Lower Hutt, and Upper Hutt, or in any land owned by or within the jurisdiction of the Hutt River Board, save with the consent of the Hutt River Board and of the Borough Council (if any) 40 within whose district such land is situate, and subject to such conditions as may be imposed by the Hutt River Board and such Borough Council in giving such consent:

Provided that in the event of such consent being withheld the matter shall be subject to appeal to a Magistrate or the Engineer-in-Chief of the Public Works Department.

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(2) If at any time it appears to any such Borough Council that the taking of any water by the Council pursuant to such consent is reducing or is likely to reduce the supply of water in any wells used for the purpose of 55 supplying water to any of the said boroughs, such Borough Council may by notice in writing require the Council either to discontinue taking such water as aforesaid, or to take only such quantities as are specified in such notice.

(3) The Council may within one month after serving of such notice appeal against the same to either a Magistrate or the Engineer-in-Chief of the Public Works Department, who, after causing a full investigation to be made, may either allow the appeal, dismiss the appeal, or modify the requirements of the notice in such manner as 15 The decision of the Magistrate or the Engineer-in-Chief shall be binding on the Council.

(4) For the purpose of this section "well" means

any method of taking supplies of artesian water.

(5) The tribunal hearing such appeal shall have all the powers of a Commission appointed under the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908.

9. Section two of the Wellington College and Girls' High School Act, 1887, is hereby amended by adding

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thereto the following proviso:—

"Provided that if at any time the Mayor for the time being of the City of Wellington desires not to act as a member of the governing body and gives notice in writing of such desire to the Town Clerk, such Mayor shall, on receipt of such notice by the Town Clerk, cease to be a member of the governing body, and the Council may by resolution appoint any member of such Council to act in lieu of and instead of such Mayor as a member of the governing body for the current term of office of such Mayor."

10. (1) In compiling the annual accounts showing the income and expenditure in respect of its milksupply undertaking the Council may, after making provision for all other charges in connection with the undertaking, appropriate an annual proportion, not 40 exceeding eight thousand pounds in any one year, to provide a reserve fund to meet fluctuations in the price of milk and to enable the Council to stabilize its selling-prices for milk, such fund to be known as the Selling-price Stabilization Reserve Fund.

Amendment of section 2 of the Wellington College and Girls' High School Act, 1887.

Establishment of Selling-price Stabilization Reserve Fund in connection with the accounts of the Wellington City milk-supply undertaking.

(2) The Council shall in the month of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, in respect of the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and in the month of 5 April in each succeeding year in respect of each financial year following, pay into a separate banking account, to be termed the Milk-supply Selling-price Stabilization Reserve Account, such proportion as the Council shall pursuant to the provisions of this section appropriate 10 in respect of each financial year.

(3) The moneys paid into such account shall be applied to meet the cost of the purchase of milk by the Council as and when the Council shall think fit, but no such money shall be so applied except pursuant to a 15 resolution of the Council specially authorizing each such

payment.

(4) The Council may invest any part of such reserve funds in the manner following:—

(a) In New Zealand Government securities:

20 (b) On deposit in any bank carrying on business in New Zealand under the authority of an Act of the General Assembly, or other lawful authority.

(5) A separate account shall be kept by the Council 25 of all moneys paid to or received by the Council in

respect of such reserve fund.

(6) Such account shall for the purposes of audit be subject to the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920.