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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,
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Mr. Wright.

WELLINGTON CITY EMPOWERING.

[LOCAL BILL.]

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A BILL INTITLED

AN ACT to confer Additional Powers on the Corporation of the City of Wellington. Title.

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 Act, 1917. Short Title.

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.
“City” means the City of Wellington:
“Council” means the Wellington City Council.

3. (1.) Where land in the city is subdivided for sale or lease or other disposition, the plan of such subdivision showing the several allotments and their dimensions and the roads and reserves (if any) to be made shall be prepared by a licensed surveyor and approved by the Council before any part of the land is so disposed of or offered for disposition. Plans of subdivisions in city to be approved by Council.

(2.) The Council may require the owner in such case to alter or extend his scheme of street-construction or to alter his method of subdivision in such manner as the Council shall think fit.

(3.) The rights of the Council in requiring the alteration of any subdivision shall be subject to this limitation, that the Council shall not in any case require any section to have a greater frontage to any street than forty feet or a greater area than one-eighth of an acre.

(4.) The powers given under this Act shall be in addition to the powers given by the Public Works Act, 1908, or any other Act.

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(5.) Every person who, being an owner of any such land, disposes of any part of any land so subdivided, or offers or advertises the same for disposition, before a plan of the subdivision is approved by the Council as aforesaid is liable to a fine of *one* hundred pounds.

(6.) In no case shall the plan of any such land be deposited 5
under the Land Transfer Act, 1908, or the Deeds Registration Act, 1908, nor shall the transfer of any allotment or subdivision shown on any such plan be registered under either of such Acts unless the plan has been duly approved in terms of this section.

(7.) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Council under 10
this Act may, subject to regulations from time to time to be made by the Governor-General in Council, appeal to the Surveyor-General against any such decision.

(8.) The Surveyor-General may, on hearing such appeal as
aforesaid, rescind, or alter, or vary any decision of the Council given 15
under this Act; and the final consent of the Council shall be given subject to such modification as the Surveyor-General directs.

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4. The Council may maintain and repair such private streets
and private ways in the city as it thinks fit, and may light such
private ways in the city as it thinks fit.

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