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CHRISTCHURCH CITY EMPOWERING

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[LOCAL BILL]

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AN ACT to authorize the Christchurch City Council to supply Electricity to the Inhabitants of the Waimairi County as the Successor of the Waimairi County Council and the Waimairi Electric-power Board, and to take over certain Obligations of the said County Council and Electric-power Board. Title.

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

2 *Waimairi County Electrical Supply and
Christchurch City Empowering*

Short Title.	1. This Act may be cited as the Waimairi County Electrical Supply and Christchurch City Empowering Act, 1945, and shall come into force on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-five.	
Definitions.	2. "City" means the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Christchurch. "City Council" means the Christchurch City Council. "County Council" means the Waimairi County Council. "Board" means the Waimairi Electric-power Board.	5 10
Powers and duties under County Council's electric supply Orders in Council conferred and imposed on City Council.	3. The powers conferred on, and the duties and obligations imposed on, the County Council relating to the supply of electricity in the county by Order in Council dated the ninth day of October, nineteen hundred and sixteen, gazetted on the twelfth day of October, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and by Order in Council dated the fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight, gazetted on the eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight, are hereby conferred and imposed on the Christchurch Council, and the said Orders in Council shall be read and construed as if the City Council had been referred to where the County Council is referred to in the said Orders and as if the county formed part of the City of Christchurch only for the purposes of the supply of electricity to the inhabitants of the county.	15 20 25
Dissolution of Board.	4. The Board is hereby dissolved, and shall cease to operate on the coming into operation of this Act.	30
Vesting of property in City Council.	5. All real and personal property of the county and of the Board used for the purposes of electrical supply, and all moneys belonging to the Electric Supply Account of the county, shall, by virtue of this Act, vest in the city on the coming into operation of this Act for the purposes of supplying electricity to the inhabitants of the county.	35
Liabilities of county and Board (including liability for special loans in respect of electrical supply operations) imposed on city.	6. All obligations, engagements, and liabilities of the county and of the Board in respect of electrical supply operations (including liability for loans, and the interest thereon) shall be imposed on the city and shall, by virtue of this Act, be met by the city.	40

7. The city shall indemnify the county and the Board against all liabilities of the county, and the Board against all claims in respect of—

City to indemnify county and Board against loans and other liabilities.

5 (a) Special loans incurred by the county (and the interest from time to time payable in respect thereof) relating to electrical supply:

10 (b) All outstanding liabilities of the county and of the Board incurred in relation to contract and engagements by such bodies respectively in respect of the powers vested in relation to the supply of electricity in the county:

15 (c) All claims in respect of torts committed or alleged to be committed by the county or the Board in exercising their respective powers in relation to the supply of electricity in the county.

8. The City Council shall make all arrangements necessary to meet the financial obligations referred to in the *last two preceding* sections.

City Council to make arrangements to meet financial obligations.

20 9. Nothing in this Act shall be construed so as to affect in any way the security afforded to any creditor of the county by any special rate.

Security of existing special rates not affected.

25 10. (1) All sinking funds accrued in respect of loans raised by the County Council for electrical supply purposes shall vest in the city.

Sinking funds.

(2) All powers of appointment and removal of Sinking Fund Commissioners in respect of such loans vested in the County Council are hereby conferred on the City Council.

30 11. The City Council shall supply electricity to the inhabitants of the county at the same prices and on the same conditions as electricity is supplied to the inhabitants of the city.

Prices of electricity in county.