

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.  
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House of Representatives,  
22nd October, 1917.

Hon. Mr. MacDonald.

## WHAKATANE HARBOUR AMENDMENT.

[LOCAL BILL.]

### ANALYSIS.

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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Whakatane Harbour Act, 1912, and its Amendments. Title.

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 Harbour Amend- Short Title.  
ment Act, 1917, and shall form part of and be read together with  
the Whakatane Harbour Act, 1912, which Act is hereinafter referred  
10 to as the principal Act.

2. This Act shall be deemed a special Act within the meaning Special Act.  
of the Harbours Act, 1908.

3. (1.) Section eight of the principal Act, as amended by section Increased  
borrowing-powers  
for harbour-works.  
15 1915, is hereby further amended as follows:—

(a.) By omitting from subsection one the words "twenty-five  
thousand pounds," and substituting the words "seventy-  
five thousand pounds"; and

20 (b.) By omitting from subsection one A, as appearing in section  
three of the Whakatane Harbour Amendment and Em-  
powering Act, 1915, the words "ten thousand pounds,"  
and substituting the words "twenty thousand pounds."

(2.) Paragraph (a) of section three of the Whakatane Harbour Repeal.  
Amendment and Empowering Act, 1915, is hereby repealed.

25 4. Section eight of the principal Act is hereby amended by  
inserting, after the words "the improvement of the harbour," the  
words "or of the Rangitaiki Outlet Harbour or any other harbour or  
navigable estuary within the Whakatane Harbour District."

30 5. Whereas that piece of land, containing one rood and twenty-  
six perches, included in plan deposited at the office of the Marine Vesting certain land  
in the Board.

Department, at Wellington, under Number M.D. 4820, and lying between the Whakatane River and the road or street in the Town of Whakatane known as the Strand, has been gradually formed by action of the Whakatane River: And whereas on the formation of the Whakatane Harbour Board pursuant to the Whakatane Harbour Act, 1912, an adjustment took place between the said Board and the Whakatane County Council, which had previously exercised the functions of a Harbour Board in respect to the Harbour of Whakatane, whereby it was agreed, *inter alia*, that the said piece of land, not being required for road purposes, should be closed as a road and vested in the Board: And whereas the Whakatane Town District has since been formed, and the Board of such district has concurred in the said agreement upon the condition that the said Harbour Board shall, as soon as the said portion of road shall be closed and vested in it, transfer to the said Whakatane District Town Board, or to the Whakatane Borough Council if formed, the section of land hereinafter mentioned, which the said Harbour Board has agreed to do: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1.) The said piece of land is hereby closed as a road and vested in the Whakatane Harbour Board for an estate in fee-simple, with power to subdivide and lease the same in the same manner as land vested in it under the Whakatane Foreshore Reclamation Act, 1908, and to grant or set apart such rights-of-way as to it may seem expedient.

(2.) The said Harbour Board is hereby further empowered to grant, transfer, or lease to the Whakatane County Council, on such terms as may be mutually agreed upon, a strip of land along the eastern side of Section 10 on a plan of a subdivision of a part of Section 1, Block III, Whakatane Survey District, deposited in the Land Transfer Office, at Auckland, under Number 7871, and being part of the land comprised and described in Certificate of Title, Volume 287, folio 23, in the Auckland Land Registry, not exceeding in area four perches, on which strip portion of the Whakatane County Chambers is now erected.

(3.) The said Harbour Board is hereby further empowered to grant and transfer to the Whakatane Town District Board or Borough Council, if formed, a section of land to the east of the proposed diverted course of the Wairere Stream, such section to comprise an area of not less than eight perches, nor more than sixteen perches.

Amended provisions  
as to the subdivision  
of Whakatane  
Harbour District  
into ridings.

6. (1.) Section four of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

(a.) By repealing paragraph (a), and substituting the following paragraph:—

“(a.) One member shall be elected by the electors of the Omataroa Riding of the Harbour District”; and

(b.) By inserting the following new paragraph:—

“(aa.) Two members shall be elected by the electors of the Whakatane Riding of the Harbour District.”

(2.) Section seven of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting after the word “Omataroa” the word “Whakatane.”

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(3.) The Schedule to the principal Act is hereby amended,—

(a.) By excluding from the boundaries of the Omataroa Riding all that area comprised in the Borough of Whakatane ;  
and

5 (b.) By adding thereto the following :—

“ WHAKATANE RIDING.

“ All that area comprised in the Borough of Whakatane.”

(4.) Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this section shall affect the present representatives of the Omataroa Riding on the  
10 Whakatane Harbour Board, which representatives, or their successors, shall continue to hold office until the next general election of members of the Board.