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WELLINGTON-PETONE ROAD BOARD.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for the Management of the Wellington to Petone Road. Title.

WHEREAS the road leading from Wellington to Petone is partly situated within the Borough of Onslow and partly within the Hutt County, but is used by persons not resident in such borough and county, and therefore its maintenance imposes an undue burden upon the inhabitants of such borough and county, and it is therefore expedient to make other provision for its maintenance : Preamble.

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Wellington-Petone Road Board Act, 1899." Short Title.

15 2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, the following words shall have the following meanings :— Interpretation.

"The Board" shall mean the Board constituted by this Act :

"The road" shall mean the road leading from Tinakori Road, in the City of Wellington, to Petone, along the western side of Port Nicholson.

20 3. The care and management of the road shall, from a day to be appointed by the Colonial Secretary by notice in the *Gazette*, be vested in the Board, and shall thereafter cease to be under the control of the local bodies having charge thereof before the passing of this Act. Management of road to be vested in Board.

4. The Board shall consist of five members, of whom one shall be appointed by the Onslow Borough Council, one by the Petone Borough Council, one by the City Council of Wellington, one by the Hutt County Council, and one by the Governor in Council. Constitution of Board.

- Term of office. 5. The members of the Board shall hold office for the term of three years.
- Date of appointment. 6. Each of the constituencies having the right to appoint a member shall appoint such member on or before the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred. If from any cause any person so appointed shall cease to hold such office, then the constituency ceasing thereby to have a representative shall appoint another person to act in the stead of the person so ceasing to hold such office until the end of the period for which such person was so appointed. 5
- Vacancies. 7. If any constituency shall neglect to appoint a member for fourteen days after the time appointed for such purpose, the Colonial Secretary may appoint a member, who shall hold office as if he were appointed by the constituency making default. 10
- Colonial Secretary may appoint members in case constituency fails to. 8. The Board shall be a body corporate under the style of "The Wellington to Petone Road Managers," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall be capable in law to hold real and personal property, and to do and suffer all things which bodies corporate may do or suffer. 15
- Board to be body corporate. 9. The Board shall have, for the purposes of this Act, all the powers which a Borough Council has in respect of the management, construction, and repair of any street, and as to making by-laws for its use, and in respect of entering into contracts, and in all other respects necessary or convenient for carrying out the provisions of this Act. 20
- Board to have powers of a Borough Council. 10. On the first day of February in each year the Board shall prepare an estimate of the amount required for expenses, maintenance of the road, payment of interest, and other outgoings for the twelve months from the first day of January then last past; and they shall apportion the specified amount among the said local bodies—namely, the Borough of the City of Wellington, the Hutt County, the Onslow Borough, and the Petone Borough. In the event of any of the said local bodies objecting within one month of such apportionment to the amount so apportioned, the several amounts to be contributed shall be settled in accordance with the provisions of "The Arbitration Act, 1890." 25 35
- Estimate of yearly expenses to be repaired. 11. Within one month after demand made by the Board, each of the said local bodies shall pay to the Board the amount of the contribution so apportioned or fixed by arbitration as aforesaid. 35
- Date when contribution payable. 12. The Governor in Council may make by-laws prescribing the place where the Board shall hold its meetings, and prescribing such other matters as may be found not to be provided for in this Act. 40
- By-laws.