### WAIKATO VALLEY AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill amends the Waikato Valley Authority Act 1956.

Clause 1 relates to the Short Title.

Clause 2 amends section 4 of the principal Act relating to the membership of the Waikato Valley Authority.

Provision for the Minister of Works and Development to appoint 1 member to represent the Ministry of Works and Development and 1 member to represent the New Zealand Electricity Department is re-enacted. Also reenacted is the provision whereby 1 member is to be elected to represent the local Drainage and River Boards.

However, the present provisions whereby 11 members are elected to represent various specified constituent districts or combined districts are not reenacted. Instead provision is made for not more than 14 members to be elected to represent constituent districts either separately or as part of a combined district.

The number of members to represent a constituent district or a combined disrict is to be specified by Order in Council in accordance with any agreement between the Waikato Valley Authority and the Councils of the constituent districts.

Clause 3 amends section 10 (3) of the principal Act which provides for the expenses of administration of the Waikato Valley Authority.

At present each constituent local authority's contribution is assessed as follows:

- (a) One half in proportion to the adjusted rateable capital value of those parts of the constituent district that lie within the Waikato Valley:
- (b) The other half in proportion to the assessed loading of the proposed works and services for the constituent district.

The amendment provides for the contribution to be assessed solely on the basis of adjusted rateable capital values.

## Hon. W. L. Young

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#### ANALYSIS

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### A BILL INTITULED

# An Act to amend the Waikato Valley Authority Act 1956

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, 5 as follows:

- 1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Waikato Valley Authority Amendment Act 1977, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Waikato Valley Authority Act 1956\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
- 2. Constitution of Waikato Valley Authority—(1) Section 4 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsections (2) and (3), and substituting the following subsections:
  - "(2) The Authority shall consist of the following members:
- 15 "(a) Two members of whom the Minister shall appoint 1 to represent the Ministry of Works and Development and 1 to represent the New Zealand Electricity Department:

\*1956, No. 104 Amendments: 1960, No. 95; 1961, No. 108; 1968, No. 150; 1969, No. 113 No. 78—1 "(b) One member to be elected to represent the local Drainage and River Boards:

"(c) Not more than 14 members to be elected to represent constituent districts of the Valley, either separately

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or as part of a combined district.

"(3) The Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council made on the advice of the Minister given on the recommendation of the Authority, make provision for constituent districts of the Valley to be represented on the Authority either separately or as part of a combined district and for the establishment or dissolution of any combined district. Any provision so made shall be in accordance with any agreement between the Authority and the Councils of the constituent districts affected or, in the absence of such agreement, shall have regard to the population, valuation of land, extent of works proposed, extent of contribution towards administration and other costs, and such other factors as the Governor-General thinks reasonable."

(2) The Waikato Valley Authority Amendment Act 1969 is

hereby consequentially repealed.

3. Expenses of administration—Section 10 (3) of the principal Act (as substituted by section 2 (1) of the Waikato Valley Authority Amendment Act 1968) is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (c), and substituting the following paragraph:

"(c) Those amounts shall be assessed by apportioning the proposed expenditure among the local Councils in proportion to the adjusted rateable capital value of those parts of the constituent districts of the respec-

tive local Councils that lie within the Valley."