

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 3 August 1993

ELECTORAL REFORM BILL

Proposed Motion to Divide the Bill into 2 Bills

Hon. D. A. M. GRAHAM, in Committee, to move the following motion:

That *Part I* and the *First Schedule* be a separate Bill, and that for *clause 2* there be substituted the following Title, enacting words, and clause:

An Act to provide for the holding, in conjunction with the 1993 general election, of a referendum on proposals for the reform of the electoral system

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Electoral Referendum Act 1993.

That *Parts II to X, Schedule 1A*, and the *Second and Third Schedules* be a separate Bill, and that for the heading to *Part II* and *clause 29* there be substituted the following Title, enacting words, and clauses:

An Act to reform the electoral system and to provide, in particular, if the proposal for the introduction of the mixed member proportional system is carried at the referendum held under the Electoral Referendum Act 1993,—

(a) For the introduction of the mixed member proportional system of representation in relation to the House of Representatives:

(b) For the establishment of an Electoral Commission:

(c) For the repeal of the Electoral Act 1956

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Electoral Act 1993.

2. Commencement—(1) If the Chief Electoral Officer makes, in accordance with section 21 (5) of the Electoral Referendum Act 1993, a declaration that the proposal favouring the introduction of the proposed mixed member proportional

system as provided in this Act is carried, **Part V** and **Parts VII to X** of this Act and the **Second** and **Third Schedules** to this Act shall, except as provided in **subsection (2)** of this section, come into force on the 1st day of July 1994.

(2) If the Chief Electoral Officer makes, in accordance with **section 21 (5)** of the Electoral Referendum Act 1993, a declaration that the proposal favouring the introduction of the proposed mixed member proportional system as provided in this Act is carried, **section 30** of this Act and **Parts II A, III, IV, and VI** of this Act and **sections 264, 266, and 267** of this Act and **Schedule 1 A** to this Act shall come into force on the day after the date on which that declaration is published in the *Gazette*.

(3) If the Chief Electoral Officer makes, in accordance with **section 21 (5)** of the Electoral Referendum Act 1993, a declaration that the proposal favouring the introduction of the proposed mixed member proportional system as provided in this Act is not carried—

(a) **Section 30** of this Act and **Parts II A to X** of this Act and **Schedule 1 A** and the **Second** and **Third Schedules** to this Act shall not come into force; and

(b) On the 1st day of July 1994, this Act shall be deemed to be repealed.

(4) Except as provided in **subsections (1) to (3)** of this section, this Act shall come into force on the day on which it receives the Royal assent.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The motion in this Supplementary Order Paper divides the Electoral Reform Bill into 2 Bills, namely,—

- (a) The Electoral Referendum Bill 1993:
- (b) The Electoral Bill 1993.