

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, the 23rd Day of September 1975

LOCAL LEGISLATION BILL

Amendment Proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General

New clause 23: To add the following clause:

“23. Authorising Wellington City Council to vary rate—
Whereas, at a meeting duly held on the 18th day of July 1975, the Wellington City Council (in this section referred to as the Council) resolved that a certain rate (in this section referred to as the said rate) be made and levied on all property in the City of Wellington in respect of the year ending with the 31st day of March 1976: And whereas the Council now wishes to substitute a lower rate for the said rate in respect of certain property in the City of Wellington: And whereas it is desirable that the Council be authorised to do so: Be it therefore enacted as follows:

“(1) The Council is hereby authorised and empowered to resolve that rates lower than the said rate be made and levied, in respect of the year ending with the 31st day of March 1976, on any specified types or groups of property in the City of Wellington (those types or groups being determined on the basis of such criteria of any kind whatsoever as the Council thinks fit); and in respect of all property on which such a lower rate is, pursuant to this subsection, resolved to be made and levied, the said rate shall be deemed not to have been made.

“(2) Where the owner of any property has paid to the Council any money (including any penalty) in respect of the rates on that property for the said year calculated on the basis of the said rate, and the Council, pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, resolves that a rate lower than the said rate be made and levied on that property in respect of the said year, the Council shall apply that money towards the rates on that property for the said year calculated on the basis of that lower rate; and where the money so paid exceeds the rates calculated on the basis of that lower rate the Council shall, as soon as practicable, refund to that owner without deduction the amount of the excess.”
