

Hon. Mr. Donald.

AUCKLAND ELECTRIC-POWER BOARD AMENDMENT.

[LOCAL BILL.]

ANALYSIS.

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| Title. | 2. Amendment of section 5 of principal Act. |
| 1. Short Title. | 3. Amendment of section 48 of principal Act. |

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Auckland Electric-power Board Act, 1921-22. Title.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Auckland Electric-power Board Amendment Act, 1929, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Auckland Electric-power Board Act, 1921-22 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). Short Title.

Struck out.

2. Subsection two of section five of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words:— Amendment of section 5 of principal Act.

“ Provided that in the case of husband and wife the qualification as a ratepayer possessed by either of them shall be deemed to be possessed by each of them.”

3. (1) The Board may, pursuant to a resolution in that behalf, establish an Imprest Account, which shall, as the Board may determine, be kept in the Post Office Savings-bank or in any other bank within the meaning of the Banking Act, 1908. Amendment of section 48 of principal Act.

Struck out.

(2) The Imprest Account may be held in the name of the Board or of the General Manager or Treasurer for the time being of the Board, and may be operated on either by such General Manager or by such Treasurer.

New.

(2A) The Imprest Account may be held jointly in the names of and be operated on by the Treasurer and one other person to be appointed in that behalf by the Board, or may, with the express approval in writing of the Audit Office, but not otherwise, be in the sole name of and be operated on by the Treasurer or other approved officer of the Board. Where the Imprest Account is held jointly in the names of the Treasurer and of one other person as aforesaid such last-mentioned person shall be either a responsible officer of the Board or a member of the Board.

Struck out.

(3) The Board may from time to time, by resolution, fix the maximum amount that may be held at any time in the Imprest Account, not exceeding the sum of *seventy-five* pounds.

New.

(3A) The Board shall from time to time by resolution fix the maximum amount that may be held at any time in the Imprest Account, not exceeding *seventy-five* pounds in any case where the Imprest Account may be operated on by one person acting alone, and not exceeding such amount as the Audit Office may approve in any other case. 10

(4) Moneys in the Imprest Account shall be available only for payment of casual wages and of emergency expenditure. A statement of all payments made from the Imprest Account shall be submitted to the Board for approval at least once in each month. The payment of moneys out of the Imprest Account for any purpose not hereby authorized shall be deemed to be the misappropriation of the funds of the Board. 15

(5) The provisions of section forty-eight of the principal Act shall be read subject to the provisions of this section.