This Public Bill originated in the House of Representatives, and having this day passed us now printed is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence. House of Representatives,

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Mr. Feldwick.

## CHATTEL SECURITIES ACT 1880 AMENDMENT.

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## A BILL INTITULED

An Act to make further Provisions in Relation to Bills of Sale. BE IT 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 Chattel Securities Act 1880 Short Title. Amendment Act, 1882;" and it shall come into operation on the first

day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two.

2. This Act shall be construed with and be deemed to be incor- Construction of Act. porated with Parts I. and V. of "The Chattels Securities Act, 1880" 10 (herein referred to as "the principal Act"), and shall apply to every bill of sale made or given after the commencement of this Act.

3. Every bill of sale shall be deemed to be given on, and shall Dating of bills of sale.

only take effect from, the day on which such bill is actually executed.

4. Every bill of sale— (1.) Shall set forth, in such a manner as that all persons may forth consideration in full. understand it correctly, a statement of the entire amount of money paid or goods supplied by the grantee thereof to the grantor in consideration whereof such bill is given, distinguishing in such statement the amount of money paid or goods supplied respectively prior to the execution of such bill of sale and contemporaneously therewith;

(2.) Shall be verified by a statutory declaration to be made by To be verified by the grantee under "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882," declaration. that the above-mentioned statement of the consideration for which the bill of sale is given is true and correct in every particular, and that the grantor is justly indebted to the grantee for such money or goods respectively;

(3.) Shall be executed in the presence of a Justice of the Peace, To be attested and or a solicitor of the Supreme Court (not being the soli- described before Justice of the Peace. citor to the grantor or grantee of the bill of sale, nor the partner or clerk of such solicitor), who shall state, in the attestation of the execution of the bill of sale, the day on which such bill of sale was actually executed, and that he

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has, before such execution, ascertained that the grantor is aware of the nature and effect of the bill of sale.

A bill of sale shall not be effectual to pass any personal chattels or any power or authority over them to the grantee unless verified and executed as aforesaid.

Inventory to be annexed of details.

Not to affect afteracquired property.

Bills within three months of bank-

ruptcy void against

creditors, except as to present considera5. Every bill of sale shall have annexed thereto, or written thereon, a schedule containing an inventory of the personal chattels comprised in the bill of sale; and such bill of sale shall be valid only in respect of the personal chattels comprised in the said schedule, and shall, so far as regards the property in or right to the possession of 10 any personal chattels not comprised in such schedule, be void and of no effect, except so far as relates to trade fixtures, machinery, plant, and appliances fixed or substituted in place of the like contained in said schedule.

6. No bill of sale shall be valid, or have any effect as regards any 15 personal chattels mentioned in the said schedule, if such chattels, at the time of the execution of the bill of sale, did not actually belong

to the grantor.

7. If the person making or giving a bill of sale shall, within three months after the date thereof, be adjudged a bankrupt, or make 20 any arrangement or composition with his creditors under the provisions of any law relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or otherwise, such bill of sale shall be null and void as against the same persons and to the same extent as a bill of sale not duly registered is declared by section four of the principal Act to be null and void;

Except so far as relates to money advanced or paid, or goods or chattels sold or supplied, by the grantee contemporaneously with the execution of the bill of sale, to the extent whereof such bill of sale

shall be valid, but not otherwise.

8. All personal chattels seized under or by virtue of any bill of 30 sale shall remain on the premises where they were so seized, and shall not be removed or sold without the written consent of the grantor until after the expiration of five clear days from the day they were so seized.

Five days to elapse between seizure and sale.

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