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*House of Representatives,  
18th October, 1894.*

*Hon. Mr. Seddon.*

## COUNTIES VEHICLE LICENSING EXTENSION.

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### A BILL INTITLED

AN ACT to extend the Provisions of "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," to all the Colony. Title.

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 Counties Vehicle Licensing Extension Act, 1894." Short Title.

2. The Governor, on the application of the Council of any County, may, by Order in Council, from time to time declare— Principal Act made universal.

(1.) That the provisions of section two of "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," may be exercised by the Council of any county in the colony; and also

(2.) That the Road Boards and Town Boards respectively within any county wherein "The Counties Act, 1886," is not in force or not wholly in force may enact by-laws to the same effect as mentioned in "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," for licensing vehicles using any roads within the road districts or town districts under their respective jurisdiction.

3. All by-laws heretofore made or hereafter to be made for the objects mentioned in "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," by any County Council, Road Board, or Town Board may from time to time be amended, altered, or revoked by the local authority making the same, in the same manner as by-laws generally may be made, altered, or revoked by such authority under any Act for the time being authorising the making of such last-mentioned by-laws. By-laws may be amended or revoked.

The Governor may, by Order in Council, revoke any by-laws heretofore made or hereafter to be made under "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," or under "The Westland, Grey, Inangahua, and Buller Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1892."

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4. Section three hundred and eight of "The Counties Act, 1886," shall apply to any by-laws made in accordance with the foregoing provisions.

5. No by-laws appointing the several sums to be paid to the funds of the said local authority for such license-fees shall come into force unless the same are approved of by the Governor by notice published in the *Gazette*; and provided also that the Governor shall withhold his assent to such by-laws if a petition be presented within sixty days after such have been published in the *Gazette* against such by-laws, signed by a majority of ratepayers in the district where such local authority has jurisdiction. 5 10

6. Section two of "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," is hereby amended by inserting after the words "for the licensing of all" the words "or any class of."

7. All the powers granted under "The County Vehicles Act, 1893," and this Act to Town Boards, Road Boards, or County Councils may be exercised by any Borough Council. 15

8. Traction-engines shall be vehicles within the meaning of "The Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893," and this Act, and the provisions of subsection one of section two of "The Police Offences Act Amendment Act, 1890," shall not apply within the district of a County Council or other local authority having power to make by-laws for regulating the conditions on which traction-engines shall be allowed to pass along roads or over bridges. 20

9. In any County where the average rateable value of land held in fee-simple exceeds two pounds an acre, this Act (with the exception of section *eight*) shall not apply: 25

Provided that, notwithstanding the average rateable value of lands held in fee-simple exceeds two pounds per acre, it shall be competent for the local authority, by special order, to make by-laws relating to vehicles other than traction-engines should the said local authority be petitioned by a majority of the ratepayers so to do. 30