

JURIES AMENDMENT BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill amends the Juries Act 1908 so that the Governor-General is given a more extensive power to postpone, by Order in Council, the preparation of jury lists.

At present jury lists are prepared after each general election of members of the House of Representatives and the preparation of new lists may be postponed only if the general election takes place following the dissolution of a Parliament that has not been in existence for two years.

The amendment made by this Bill will enable the preparation of new jury lists to be postponed, by Order in Council, if the Governor-General considers it expedient and the existing jury lists are not more than four years old.

Hon. Mr Hanan

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ANALYSIS

Title	2. Preparation of new lists may be
1. Short Title	deferred

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Juries Act 1908

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

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Juries Amendment Act 1967, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Juries Act 1908* (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

10 **2. Preparation of new lists may be deferred**—The principal Act is hereby amended by repealing section 16 (as substituted by section 5 of the Juries Amendment Act 1963), and substituting the following section:

15 “16. The Governor-General may, by Order in Council, in the twelve months following a general election of members of the House of Representatives order that no new jury lists shall be prepared in the year following that election if he deems it expedient and if, when the order comes into force, not more than four years have elapsed since the 7th day of
20 September in the year in which the lists were last delivered to the Sheriffs pursuant to section 18 of this Act.”

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