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*Legislative Council,  
24th August, 1888.*

*Hon. Mr. Stevens.*

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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for the Audit of the Accounts of Local Bodies.  
WHEREAS it is expedient to make further provision for the audit of the accounts of local bodies :

5 BE IT THEREFORE 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 Local Bodies Audit Act, 1888.” Short Title.

10 2. In this Act the words— Interpretation.

“ Local body ” mean and include every City or Borough Council, County Council, Town Board, Road Board, Harbour Board, River Board, Drainage Board, and the governing body of every corporation or institution maintained or supported in whole or in part by grants of public money, or by the proceeds of endowments of Crown lands, or out of rates, tolls, fees, or fines which any such body is empowered by law to levy, claim, receive, or enforce :

15 “ Treasury ” means the Colonial Treasurer, and includes any member of the Executive Council acting as or for the Colonial Treasurer :

20 “ Audit Office ” means the Controller and Auditor-General, and includes the Assistant Controller and Auditor.

25 3. The Governor may by Order in Council from time to time make, and may in like manner alter or repeal, regulations, not being inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, or of any other Act in that behalf, directing the form and manner in which and the times at which the accounts of any or all local bodies shall be kept, rendered, audited, and published, and generally for the due receipt, safe custody, Regulations.

30 and proper expenditure of the moneys of such local bodies.

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AN ACT for extending the Period within which the Annual Accounts of Local Bodies shall be Passed. Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient to extend the time within which the 5 annual balance-sheet of the accounts of any local body are required to be passed : Preamble.

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

10 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Local Bodies' Audit Act, 1888." Short Title.

2. The term "local body" means and includes every City or Borough Council, Road Board, Harbour Board, and any body receiving grants of public money. Interpretation.

15 3. Where by any Act it is provided that the annual balance-sheet of any local body shall, after being duly audited, be passed at an annual or special meeting to be held on a day or within a period in any such Act specified, and such balance-sheet shall not have been received from the Auditor in time for such meeting, it shall be 20 lawful for the Mayor or Chairman of such Council or Board from time to time to postpone or adjourn such meeting until such balance-sheet shall have been received from the Auditor. Meeting to be postponed or adjourned until balance-sheet received from Auditor.

4. The said Mayor or Chairman shall cause notice to be given to every member of the Council or Board of the day to which such 25 meeting is postponed or adjourned. Notice to be given to Councillors.

5. All the provisions of any such Act applying to such annual or special meeting shall apply equally to the meeting to which the same is postponed or adjourned under the provisions of this Act. Provisions of Act applicable to adjourned meetings.