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LYTTELTON HARBOUR BOARD AMENDMENT.

LOCAL BILL.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 4. Elections to be held simultaneously with Short Title. parliamentary elections. Constitution of Lyttelton Harbour Board 5. Returning Officers' duties. Electors and electoral rolls. 3. Term of office of present Board. 7. Expenses of elections.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Harbours Act, 1908.

Title.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Lyttelton Harbour Board Short Title. Amendment Act, 1917, and shall form part of and be read together with the Harbours Act, 1908.

2. The reference in the First Schedule to the Harbours Amend- Constitution of 10 ment Act, 1910, is hereby amended by omitting from the third Lyttelton Harbour column all the words referring to the constitution of the Lyttelton Harbour Board (hereinafter called the Board), and the substitution of the following words:—

"Five by the electors of the City of Christchurch.

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"One by the electors of the County of Waimairi and the Borough of New Brighton.

"One by the electors of the Boroughs of Sumner and Woolston and the Counties of Heathcote and Halswell.

"One by the electors of the Boroughs of Spreydon and Riccarton and the County of Paparua.

"One by the electors of the Boroughs of Lyttelton and Akaroa and of the Counties of Mount Herbert, Akaroa, Wairewa, and Ellesmere and of the Southbridge Town District.

"One by the electors of the Counties of Selwyn, Springs, Tawera, and Malvern, and of the South Rakaia and Mount Somers Ridings of the County of Ashburton.

"One by the electors of the Boroughs of Kaiapoi and Rangiora and of the Counties of Rangiora, Eyre, and Oxford.

"One by the electors of the Counties of Ashley, Kowai, Waipara, Cheviot, and Amuri and of the Amberley and Mackenzie Town Districts.

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"One by the electors of the Borough of Ashburton and of the Mount Hutt, Wakanui, Anama, Upper Ashburton, Coldstream, Rangitata, and Longbeach Ridings of the County of Ashburton."

Term of office of present Board. 3. The present members of the Board shall continue in office until the next ordinary general election of members of the House of Representatives (hereinafter referred to as the House) when the first Board to be elected under this Act shall be elected.

Elections to be held simultaneously with parliamentary elections. 4. All ordinary elections of the Board shall be held simultaneously with the ordinary triennial elections of members of the 10 House.

Returning Officers'

5. At the first and all subsequent elections of the Board the elections shall be conducted by the Returning Officers who conduct the elections of members of the House at the same time and under the same conditions so far as they do not conflict with the provisions 15 of the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1908, which Act, mutatis mutandis, shall continue to apply to the Board elections.

Electors and electoral rolls.

6. The electors under this Act shall be the persons whose names appear as electors upon any electoral roll of any electorate constituted under the Legislature Act, 1908, which or part of which electorate 20 includes the whole or any part of any city, county, borough, or town district entitled to elect one or more members to the Board. No elector shall be entitled to vote at any election under this Act at any polling-place not in the city, county, borough, or town district in which he resides, or in which the property for which he is registered 25 as an elector is situate.

Expenses of elections.

7. The Board shall pay any additional expense incurred in holding the elections of the Board in connection with the general elections of the House.

By Authority: MARCUS F. MARKS, Government Printer, Wellington,-1917.