# MAORI TRUSTEE AMENDMENT BILL

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill amends section 35 of the Maori Trustee Act 1953. It increases from \$2,000 to \$50,000 the amount that the Maori Trustee may spend out of the General Purposes Fund in any year in donations for philanthropic or other purposes specified in that section. These purposes are:

(a) The promotion of the health, education, or social or economic welfare of Maoris or descendants of Maoris:

(b) The relief of distress in New Zealand or elsewhere:

- (c) The establishment or maintenance of memorials of national or local achievement:
- (d) The suitable celebration of functions of national or local significance:
- (e) The proper conduct of the funeral rites of distinguished Maoris or descendants of Maoris:
- (f) Any other purpose that, in the opinion of the Maori Trustee, is a proper purpose for the expenditure of money under that section.

The Bill also increases from \$200 to \$500 the amount that the Maori Trustee may spend for any such purpose without the consent of the Minister of Maori Affairs.

## Hon. Mr Couch

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#### ANALYSIS

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1. Short Title

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 Amount that may be donated out of General Purposes Fund for philanthropic or other purposes increased

## A BILL INTITULED

# An Act to amend the Maori Trustee Act 1953

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 Maori Trustee Amendment Act 1979, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Maori Trustee Act 1953\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
- 2. Amount that may be donated out of General Purposes Fund for philanthropic or other purposes increased—(1) Section 35 (2) of the principal Act (as amended by section 7 of the Maori Purposes Act 1971) is hereby amended—

(a) By omitting the expression "\$2,000", and substituting the expression "\$50,000":

(b) By omitting the expression "\$200", and substituting the expression "\$500".

(2) The Maori Purposes Act 1971 is hereby consequentially amended by repealing so much of the Schedule as relates to 20 section 35 of the principal Act.

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