

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives.

21st. December, 1933.

Hon. Mr. Young.

NEW ZEALAND BRANCH OF THE BRITISH RED
CROSS AND ORDER OF ST. JOHN
EMPOWERING.

[PRIVATE BILL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to empower the New Zealand Branch of the British Red Cross and Order of St. John and its Auckland Centre to transfer certain Land, Debentures, Securities, and other Assets to the New Zealand Red Cross Society, to be held in Trust in accordance with this Act. Title.

WHEREAS the New Zealand Branch of the British Red Cross and Order of St. John (hereinafter called the incorporated society) was on the eighteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty, duly incorporated under the provisions of section twelve of the War Funds Act, 1915: And whereas by rule three of the rules of the said incorporated society provision was made for the constitution of centres in each of the four military districts of New Zealand—namely, Auckland, Wellington, Canterbury, and Otago—and that each centre should control and administer or dispose of its own district funds and assets subject to the approval of the executive committee: Preamble.

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And whereas a centre of the incorporated society was duly constituted in Auckland and acquired for its own purposes (a) the land described in the *First* Schedule hereto the title to which is vested in the incorporated society, but in trust for the Auckland Centre; (b) the debentures, securities, and other assets mentioned in the *Second* Schedule hereto which are now held and controlled by the said centre: And whereas the New Zealand Red Cross Society, Incorporated (hereinafter called the Red Cross Society), was on the twenty-second day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-one, duly incorporated under the provisions of the Incorporated Societies Act, 1908, and it has been agreed with the approval of the executive committee of the incorporated society that the Auckland Centre of the incorporated society should transfer to the Red Cross Society the property and assets above mentioned to be held by the Red Cross Society upon the trusts and for the purposes upon and for which the said Auckland Centre has heretofore held the same: And whereas it is desirable to authorize the said transfer and to make certain further provision in reference to the premises:

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

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the New Zealand Branch of the British Red Cross and Order of St. John Empowering Act, 1933.

Incorporated society authorized to transfer assets to Red Cross Society.

2. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the War Funds Act, 1915, or in any other Act, or in the constitution of the Red Cross Society, the incorporated society and the Auckland Centre thereof may transfer to the Red Cross Society the land, debentures, securities, and assets specified or referred to in the Schedules hereto the property so transferred, together with all income accruing therefrom, shall be held by the Red Cross Society upon trust for the purposes for which the same were heretofore held by the Auckland Centre of the incorporated society, and shall be administered, controlled, and disposed of for such purposes by a committee one-half of whose members are to be appointed by the Auckland Centre of the Red Cross Society and the other half by the Auckland Centre of the St. John Ambulance Association.

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- (2) The Red Cross Society is hereby authorized and empowered to accept any property transferred to it pursuant to this section, and to hold the same in trust for the purposes aforesaid.
- 5 (3) All moneys and other property transferred to the Red Cross Society pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be a war fund within the meaning of the War Funds Act, 1915, and shall be subject to the provisions of that Act accordingly.
- 10 (4) If in any will or other instrument executed before or after the completion of the transfer authorized by the foregoing provisions of this section provision is made for any devise, bequest, gift, or payment to the Auckland Centre of the incorporated society, such will or instrument
- 15 shall, unless a contrary intention appears therein, be construed as if every reference therein to the said Auckland Centre were a reference to the Red Cross Society, and all moneys or other property that may be acquired by the Red Cross Society under such will or
- 20 instrument shall be held by it in trust for the purposes hereinbefore in this section mentioned, and shall be administered, controlled, and disposed of by the committee referred to in subsection *one* hereof.

3. This Act is hereby declared to be a private Act.

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SCHEDULES.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

THE land referred to in this Act being all that piece or parcel of land containing 1 acre 2 roods 20·4 perches, more or less, being parts of Lots Nos. 17 and 18 of Allotment No. 23 of Section No. 2 in the Suburbs of Auckland, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 163, folio 134, of the Land Register-book at Auckland.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

THE debentures, securities, and other assets referred to in this Act being as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
5½-per-cent. Auckland City Council Debentures	12,500	0	0
4-per-cent. New Zealand Government inscribed stock	22,720	0	0
Office furniture valued at	35	18	0
Bank of New Zealand fixed deposits	500	0	0
All cash in hand or in bank and all other assets of the centre			