



PROVINCIAL COUNCILS CRIMINAL LAW BILL

IN THE TWENTIETH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA.

SESSION IV. NO.

ANALYSIS:

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penalty not exceeding £50 or six months

1. Power to Superintendents and Provincial Councils to enact laws imposing a

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altering the Criminal Law of New Zealand in certain cases.

WHEREAS by an Act of the Session of the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, helder the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the Reign of Her Majesty, commonly known as the New Zealand Constitution Act; it is provided that it shall not be lawful for the Superintendent and Provincial Council of any Province in New Zealand to make or ordain any law altering in any way the Criminal Law of New Zealand, except so far as relates to the trial and punishment of such offences as were then or might be thereafter by the Criminal Law of New Zealand be punishable in a summary way. And whereas it is desirable that the power of legislation vested in the Superintendents and Provincial Councils should be extended.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand as follows:

1. The Superintendent and Provincial Council of any Province in New Power to Superintendent and Provincial Total a Zealand shall have power by any Act or Ordinance to alter the Criminal Law of Councils

New Zealand by enacting that centain acts or omissions contrary to the provisions of any law or Ordinance of such Superintendent and Provincial Council
shall be offences within the Province to which such Act or Ordinance shall relate punishable summarily or otherwise, as may thereby be directed. Provided always that no such felony shall be thereby created nor any punishment or penalty attached to any such act or omission which shall exceed six months imprisonment with hard labour or they pounds sterling in amount, for any one offence

2. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the "Provincial Short title. Criminal Law Bill, No. 4, 4856." Act.

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