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,

18th August, 1891.

[As Amended by the Legislative Council.]

Hon. Mr. McKenzie.

RIVER BOARDS ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title.

- 1. Short Title.
- 2. Board may levy general rate.
- 3. Board may levy special rate. 4. Suspension of sections 105 to 108 of said Act.
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- 8. Board may pay travelling-expenses of members.
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The River Boards Act, 1884."

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The River Boards Act Short Title. Amendment Act, 1891."

2. Notwithstanding anything contained in "The River Boards Board may levy Act, 1884" (herein referred to as "the said Act"), the Board of every general rate.

- 10 river district may from time to time as it thinks fit, by special order, make and levy general rates for carrying into effect the general purposes of the said Act; but the total amount of such rates made for any one year shall not exceed six farthings in the pound on the rateable value of property in the district.
- 3. Notwithstanding anything contained in sections ninety-two Board may lavy 15 and ninety-five of the said Act, the Board of every river district may, if it thinks fit, from time to time, by special order, make and levy and collect separate or special rates, subject to the provisions of the said sections respectively, instead of directing such rates to be made.
- 4. When any special order making or levying any rate shall be Suspension of 20made by the Board of any river district the provisions of sections one sections 105 to 108 of said Act. hundred and five to one hundred and eight (both inclusive) of the said Act shall be deemed to be suspended in such district in respect of the rate or rates made by such special order.
- 5. The provisions of "The Rating Act, 1882," shall, so far as "Rating Act, 1882," to apply. 25applicable, apply to all rates made by any River Board.

6. All rates already made by any River Board for the purpose of Rates already levied providing any interest or sinking fund, or for securing the payment of by Board deemed valid. any loan or interest thereon, or for any other purpose, are hereby

30 declared to be valid.

No. 106-3.

Title.

special rate.

New clause.

7. All the words of section thirty of the said Act before the first subsection thereof are hereby repealed, and the following substituted: Every person of the full age of twenty-one years whose name appears on the valuation-roll of a river district or of any subdivision thereof.

7. 8. The Board may, out of the funds of the trust, pay to members such reasonable actual travelling-expenses as it may think fit. Such payment to be made only to members living at a distance of over five miles from the ordinary place of meeting. 10

New clause.

9. Notwithstanding anything contained in the said Act, or in any Act thereby repealed, any River Board may agree with any person whc, or corporate body which, has lent money to such Board 15 under the said Act or any Act thereby repealed, for an extension of the time or alteration in the terms or mode of payment originally agreed on.

By Authority: GEORGE DIDSBURY, Government Printer, Wellington.-1891.

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