SOVEREIGN'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVANCE BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill provides for the observance of the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on the first Monday in June instead of 21 April in each year of Her Majesty's reign (except in 1953), and validates the observance of Her birthday on 2 June in the present year. In 1953 the date is to be appointed by Proclamation, so as to enable the birthday to be observed on the day of Her Majesty's Coronation.

Clause 3 repeals the Sovereign's Birthday Observance Act 1937, which made provision for the observance of the birthday of His late Majesty King George VI.

Hon. Mr. Radkin

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ANALYSIS

Title. Preamble.

1. Short Title. 2. Date of observance of birth-day of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. 3. Repeal.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to make provision for the observance of the Title. birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.

WHEREAS Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second Preamble. was graciously pleased to approve of the observance in New Zealand of Her birthday in each year of Her reign on the date prescribed by or under this Act instead of the twenty-first day of April: And whereas legislation is necessary in order that full effect may be given to Her 10 Majesty's pleasure in the matter of the observance of Her birthday:

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

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Sovereign's Birthday Short Title. 15 Observance Act 1952.
- 2. Where in any Act, award, industrial agree- Date of ment, or other agreement, or in any order of any Court or observance of birthday of in any other instrument of authority, reference is or was Her Majesty 20 made to the Sovereign's birthday, that reference, instead Queen Elizabeth II.

of being a reference to the twenty-first day of April, shall, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) In respect of the year nineteen hundred and fifty-two, be deemed to be and to have been a reference to the second day of June:

(b) In respect of the year nineteen hundred and fifty-three, be deemed to be a reference to a day to be appointed in that behalf by the Governor-General by Proclamation:

(c) In respect of every year of the reign of Her 10
Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second after the
year nineteen hundred and fifty-three, be
deemed to be a reference to the first Monday
in June.

Repeal. 1937, No. 23 3. The Sovereign's Birthday Observance Act 1937 is 15 hereby repealed.