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GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE]

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Mr Lee

**THAMES-COROMANDEL DISTRICT COUNCIL
(RATING VALIDATION)**

[LOCAL]

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A BILL INTITULED

**An Act to validate certain rates and expenditure of the
Thames-Coromandel District Council**

WHEREAS by resolution on the 25th day of June 1981 the
5 Thames-Coromandel District Council (hereinafter referred to as
the Council) made a works and services rate pursuant to section
142 of the Local Government Act 1974 on all rateable property
in its district: And whereas by resolution on the 24th day of
June 1982 the Council made 3 works and services rates
10 pursuant to section 142 of the Local Government Act 1974 of
differing amounts in each of the 3 divisions of the Council's
district: And whereas rates made pursuant to section 142 of the
Local Government Act 1974 are required to be made on every
separately rateable property within the district where the
15 function, work, or service will benefit the district as a whole or,
where the function, work, or service will benefit only part of

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the district, within the part of the district so benefitting: And whereas the making and levying of those rates, and the subsequent expenditure of the product of those rates, was not in accordance with that requirement: And whereas by resolution on the 24th day of June 1982 the Council made a uniform annual charge for works and services purposes pursuant to section 164A of the Local Government Act 1974: And whereas the resolution failed to comply with the provisions of that Act in that it did not specify a particular work or service: And whereas by resolution on the 16th day of December 1982 the Council wrote-off and waived payment of the charge on properties with a land value of less than \$2,000: And whereas the Council did not have the power to write-off such charges or waive such payments: And whereas by resolution on the ~~(24th)~~ 23rd day of February 1984 the Council resolved to invite ratepayers of the Te Puru area to make a lump sum contribution towards the capital costs of works pursuant to section 164C of the Local Government Act 1974: And whereas the resolution did not comply with the provisions of that Act in that the invitation to make a lump sum contribution was made after the completion of the works: And whereas the lump sum contribution was calculated by the Council pursuant to a classification of land under section 153 of the Local Government Act 1974: And whereas in calculating the costs according to the classification the Council did not comply with the provisions of sections 164D to 164I of the Local Government Act 1974:

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

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Thames-Coromandel District Council (Rating Validation) Act 1987.

2. Validation of rates—The said works and services rates made and levied pursuant to section 142 of the Local Government Act 1974 by the Thames-Coromandel District Council for the years ended with the 31st day of March 1982 and the 31st day of March 1983 are hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made and levied.

3. Validation of uniform annual charge—The said uniform annual charge made and levied pursuant to section 164A of the Local Government Act 1974 by the Thames-Coromandel District Council for the year ended with the 31st

day of March 1983 is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made and levied.

4. Validation of expenditure—The expenditure of the product of the said rates and the said uniform annual charge validated by sections 2 and 3 of this Act is hereby validated and declared to have been lawful.

5. Validation of writing-off of charge—All actions of the Thames-Coromandel District Council in resolving for the year ended with the 31st day of March 1983 to write-off and waive payment of the said uniform annual charge on properties with a land value of less than \$2,000 are hereby validated and declared to have been lawful.

6. Validation of resolution seeking lump sum contributions—The said resolution made pursuant to section 164C of the Local Government Act 1974 by the Thames-Coromandel District Council is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made.

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7. Payment of unpaid rates, etc.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in the Rating Act 1967, if payment has not been made, before the commencement of this Act, of any rates or charges the making and levying of which are validated by this Act—

(a) Those unpaid rates and charges shall be payable within 12 months after the commencement of this Act:

(b) A penalty shall not be charged by the Thames-Coromandel District Council in respect of any such rates and charges paid within that 12 month period:

(c) The penalty prescribed in the Rating Act 1967 for the late payment of rates and charges may be charged by the Thames-Coromandel District Council in respect of any such rates and charges not paid within that 12 month period.

(2) If, before the commencement of this Act, any penalty has been charged by the Thames-Coromandel District Council in respect of the late payment of any rates or charges the making and levying of which are validated by this Act, the penalty shall be refunded.

*Thames-Coromandel District Council
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(3) For the purposes of section 79 of the Rating Act 1967, the rates and charges to which **subsection (1)** of this section applies shall be deemed to have become due and payable on the commencement of this Act.

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