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Hon. Mr. Carroll.

WAAHI NATIVE CONFERENCE VALIDATION.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Further Provision for the Settlement of certain Native Land in the Waikato and other Districts. Title.

WHEREAS the Commission referred to in the Native Land Settlement Act, 1907, has in pursuance of its powers in that behalf made to the Governor certain reports relating to the sale, lease, and other disposition of certain Native lands in the Waikato and other districts: And whereas at a meeting of the Native owners of those lands held at Waahi in the month of August, nineteen hundred and nine, certain proposals were agreed upon by those owners different from the recommendations contained in the aforesaid reports of the Commission: And whereas at the same meeting of Native owners certain further proposals were made as to the sale, lease, or other disposition of certain other lands not reported upon by the Commission: And whereas it is desirable to give to those proposals of the Native owners the same force and effect as if they had been recommendations contained in reports of the aforesaid Commission: And whereas the said proposals of the Native owners are set forth in the first and second schedules of Parliamentary Paper G.-10, 1909, Session II: Preamble.

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 Waahi Native Conference Validation Act, 1909. Short Title.

Proposals of Native owners substituted for recommendations of the Native Land Commission.

2. The proposals set forth in Schedule I of the aforesaid Parliamentary Paper under the heading "Present Proposals" are hereby substituted for the recommendations set forth in that Schedule under the heading "Commissioners' Recommendations," with respect to the same lands; and the said proposals shall for all purposes be deemed to be and shall have the effect of recommendations contained in reports made to the Governor by the said Commission, and shall supersede and annul the recommendations for which they are so substituted. 5

Proposals of Native owners added to recommendations of the Native Land Commission.

3. The proposals set forth in Schedule II to the said parliamentary paper shall for all purposes have the same force and effect as if they had been recommendations contained in a report made to the Governor by the said Commission in the exercise of its powers in that behalf. 10

Native Land Settlement Act, 1907, and Native Land Act, 1909, to be construed accordingly.

4. All references in the Native Land Settlement Act, 1907, or its amendments, or in the Native Land Act, 1909, to reports made by the said Commission shall be read and construed as applicable to the aforesaid proposals; and those proposals may be carried into effect by Orders in Council under those Acts accordingly in the same manner and to the same extent as if they were contained in such a report as aforesaid. 15 20

Special provisions as to sale or lease of land vested in Maori Land Board in pursuance of proposals of Native owners.

5. (1.) Section eleven of the Native Land Settlement Act, 1907, and section two hundred and thirty-nine of the Native Land Act, 1909 (relating to the division of land vested in a Maori Land Board into two equal parts for sale or leasing respectively), shall have no application to any land vested in a Board by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the said proposals; and all such land shall be disposed of by the Board in which it is so vested either wholly by way of sale or wholly by way of lease, or partly in the one manner and partly in the other, so as to conform as nearly as practicable to the said proposals. 25 30

(2.) Subject to the modifications provided for by this section, all land vested in a Maori Land Board by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the said proposals shall be subject to, and shall be administered and disposed of in accordance with, Part I of the Native Land Settlement Act, 1907, or Part XIV of the Native Land Act, 1909, as the case may be. 35