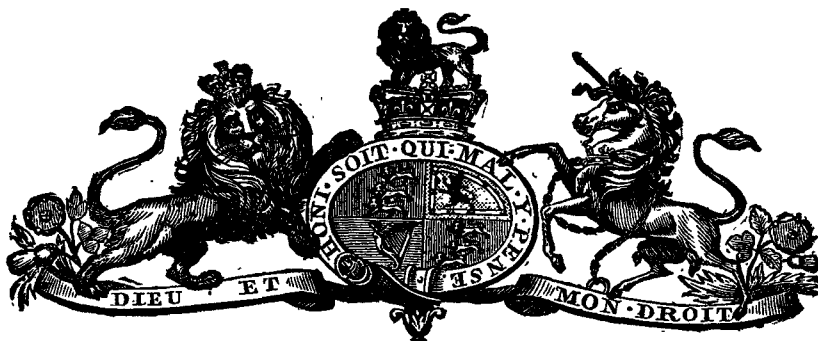


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AN ACT to provide a summary mode of Revising Valuations of Property in the Province of Canterbury. Title.

[10th October, 1872.]

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

1. The Short Title of this Act shall be “The Canterbury Ratepayers’ Rolls Revision Act, 1872.” Short Title.

2. The expression “district,” where used in this Act, shall mean any district constituted by or under any Ordinance of the Provincial Legislature of Canterbury in which a rate may, under any Act or Ordinance of such Legislature, be leviable for any purpose authorized by such Legislature; and the expression “rating authority” shall mean the persons Board or other authority by which any such rate is leviable. Interpretation.

3. This Act may at any time be adopted by the Legislature of the Province of Canterbury; and upon the Legislature of such Province adopting this Act, the same shall come into force in such Province on a day fixed by such Legislature, and not before. Act to come into force in Province of Canterbury when adopted by Legislature thereof.

4. The Governor in Council may appoint annually in the month of June a competent person, being a Justice of the Peace, who shall be called Revising Commissioner, to revise, during the twelve calendar months ensuing the end of the month in which the appointment is made, the rate books and ratepayers’ rolls for any district, and the valuation of any property assessed therein, and in like manner may remove such person so appointed, and upon the death resignation or removal of any such Commissioner, appoint another in his place or stead. Revising Commissioner to be appointed. His duties and powers.

The said Commissioner shall, for the purposes of such revision, sit in open Court at such places and at such times in the said period of

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twelve months as the said Commissioner shall think fit, and of which he shall give at least ten days' notice in one or more newspapers circulating within the Province.

The said Commissioner shall have power to examine witnesses on oath, which oath he is hereby empowered to administer.

Revising Commissioner to determine objections to valuation.

5. The Revising Commissioner shall hear and determine all objections to the valuation of any property included in such rate book or ratepayers' roll, and all objections on the ground of the omission from or insertion in any such valuation rate book or ratepayer's roll of any property or the name of any person, and shall, after hearing all such objections, and all evidence which may be offered relating thereto, amend such valuation in such manner as he shall think fit by adding thereto the name of any person omitted therefrom, together with the description, assessed value or measurement of the property in respect of which he is liable to be rated, or by erasing from any such rate book or roll the name of any person erroneously entered therein, or by altering the description or value or measurement of the property in respect of which any person is liable to be rated: Provided that no such alteration shall be made except on the application of any person aggrieved or of the rating authority, nor unless it shall be proved to the satisfaction of such Commissioner that a notice setting forth the nature of the objection shall have been served on the rating authority, unless the objection shall have been made by it, and also on the person not being the objector, whose name has been omitted or inserted, or who is the occupier of the property the valuation of which is objected to, or which has been omitted or inserted, at least ten days before the hearing of such application.

Any Court may be adjourned.

6. The Revising Commissioner shall have power to adjourn any Court held by him from time to time as he may consider requisite for the due disposal of the business to be transacted thereat.

Fresh valuation or estimation may be made and valuers appointed.

7. It shall be lawful for such Commissioner, if he shall think fit, to order a fresh valuation or estimation to be made of the value or measurement of any property enumerated in any valuation rate book or ratepayers' roll, whether any objection shall have been made thereto or not, and to appoint such valuers or assessors as he shall think fit to make such valuation or estimation, and to order the cost of making such new valuation or estimation to be paid out of any moneys at the disposal of the rating authority for the purposes for which such rate may be disposed.

Rate book or roll to be signed by Commissioner.

8. The valuation of property included in any rate book or roll, when so amended, shall be signed by such Commissioner, and shall be the valuation for the district for the period for which the same shall have been originally made; and if no objections be made thereto, the same shall be signed by the Commissioner, and shall then be in force for the district for such period as aforesaid.

When Act brought into force certain provisions of the Highway Boards Empowering Act to cease to have effect.

9. Whenever this Act shall have been brought into force in the said Province in the manner hereinbefore provided, then, if the Third Part of "The Highway Boards Empowering Act, 1871," shall have been extended to such Province, the provisions contained in the sixth to the twelfth sections of that Act, both inclusive, except the proviso to the sixth section, shall, as to any district to which this Act shall be made applicable, cease to have any force or effect therein: Provided that no act or proceeding which may be pending under the said sections at the time of the coming into operation in any district of the provisions of this Act shall be affected thereby, but the same may be continued and concluded as if this Act had not been passed.

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