



ANALYSIS

<p>Title</p> <p>1. Short Title and commencement</p> <p>2. New sections inserted</p> <p>63A. Composite rolls</p>	<p>63B. Composite rolls required for by-elections</p> <p>3. Consequential amendments</p> <p>4. Christchurch Central by-election</p>
---	---

1979, No. 12

An Act to amend the Electoral Act 1956

[10 August 1979]

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

1. Short Title and commencement—(1) This Act may be cited as the Electoral Amendment Act 1979, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electoral Act 1956 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

(2) This Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the 17th day of July 1979.

2. New sections inserted—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 63, the following sections:

“63A. **Composite rolls**—(1) The Electorate Officer for any district may from time to time cause to be printed a composite roll for the district, which roll—

“(a) Shall, subject to any additions, alterations, and deletions made to the electoral roll for the district, contain a list of—

“(i) All persons whose names appear on the main roll for the district; and

“(ii) All persons whose names appear on any existing supplementary roll for the district; and

“(iii) All persons whose names do not appear on the main roll for the district or any existing supplementary roll for the district but are lawfully on the electoral roll for the district on a date to be fixed for the closing of that composite roll by the Chief Electoral Officer; and

“(b) Shall, subject to paragraph (a) of this subsection, be printed in the manner prescribed by section 63 of this Act in respect of a main roll.

“(2) Where the date for the closing of a composite roll for a district is writ day in relation to an election in that district, the *Electorate Officer*—

“(a) Shall cause the composite roll to be printed as soon as may be after the issue of the writ for the election; and

“(b) Shall not be obliged to issue a supplementary roll for the district under the proviso to section 62 (1) of this Act in relation to that election.

“(3) Where a composite roll for a district is printed under this section,—

“(a) The composite roll shall, notwithstanding section 61 (2) of this Act, be the main roll for the district until a new main roll is printed for the district under section 61 (1) of this Act or a new composite roll is printed for the district under this section; and

“(b) The main roll and any supplementary rolls that were in force for the district immediately before the date of the closing of the composite roll shall cease to be in force.

“(4) Nothing in this section—

“(a) Limits the provisions of section 61 (1) of this Act; or

“(b) Prevents any main roll or supplementary roll that is no longer in force from being examined for the purpose of determining—

“(i) Whether any person’s name should appear on the main roll or any supplementary roll for the time being in force for any district; or

“(ii) Whether any person is qualified to vote in any district as a special voter.

“**63B. Composite rolls required for by-elections**—Notwithstanding anything in section 63A (1) of this Act, in the case of a by-election in any district, the Electorate Officer for that district shall cause a composite roll for that district to be closed and printed under section 63A of this Act as at writ day for the by-election.”

3. Consequential amendments—Section 2 (1) of the principal Act is hereby amended—

- (a) By inserting in the definition of the term “main roll”, after the word “means”, the words “, subject to section 63A of this Act,”:
- (b) By adding to the definition of the term “roll”, the words “; and includes a composite roll printed under section 63A of this Act”.

4. Christchurch Central by-election—Notwithstanding anything in the principal Act or in sections 2 and 3 of this Act, the Chief Electoral Officer shall, on behalf of the Electorate Officer for the Christchurch Central General Electoral District, cause to be printed, as at the 17th day of July 1979 (writ day for a by-election in that district) a composite roll for that district and section 63A of the principal Act (as inserted by section 2 of this Act) shall apply accordingly with all necessary modifications.

This Act is administered in the Department of Justice.
