



## ANALYSIS

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1967, No. 44

**An Act to amend the Local Elections and Polls Act 1966**  
*[15 November 1967]*

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**—This Act may be cited as the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act 1967, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Local Elections and Polls Act 1966 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

**2. Date of triennial general elections of Christchurch Transport Board and Christchurch Drainage Board**—Section 5 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsections (2) and (3).

**3. When election to fill extraordinary vacancy in Borough Council or Town Council not necessary**—(1) Section 52 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) Where it comes to the knowledge of the Town Clerk, whether by notice or otherwise, that an extraordinary vacancy has occurred in the office of a member of a Borough Council or Town Council (not being the office of Mayor),—

“(i) He shall forthwith notify the Council of the vacancy, and the Council shall at its next ordinary meeting or, if that is not practicable, at its next subsequent ordinary meeting decide whether or not an election shall be held to fill the vacancy. If it decides to hold an election, an election shall be held accordingly.

“(ii) If the Council decides not to hold an election to fill the vacancy, it shall forthwith give public notice of its decision, and not less than the specified number of the electors for the time being on the roll for the borough or town district or ward, as the case may be, by notice in writing under their hands delivered at the office of the Council not later than thirty days after the date of the giving of that public notice, may demand that an election shall be held to fill the vacancy. If such a demand is made, an election shall be held accordingly. For the purposes of this subparagraph, the term ‘specified number’ means a number equal to five percent of the number of electors who were on the roll for the immediately preceding general election of members of the Council or five hundred, whichever is the less:”.

(2) Section 52 of the principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing subsection (5), and substituting the following subsection:

“(5) The Town Clerk shall forthwith give notice to the Returning Officer of every decision of the Council under paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of this section to hold an election to fill an extraordinary vacancy occurring in the office of a member of the Council and of every demand received by the Council under that paragraph and of every decision of the Council under paragraph (d) of that subsection.”

(3) Section 52 of the principal Act is hereby further amended—

(a) By repealing subsection (4):

(b) By omitting from subsection (6) the words “and subsection (4)”.

**4. Form of voting paper on a loan proposal**—The First Schedule to the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing form 10, and substituting the form 10 set out in the Schedule to this Act.

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**SCHEDULE**

**NEW FORM 10 IN FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL ACT**

**“Form 10**

**Section 66 (2)**

**VOTING PAPER AT A POLL ON A LOAN PROPOSAL**

*[Consecutive number]*

*Directions to Voter*

(Read carefully before voting)

1. If you wish to vote *for* the loan, write ‘X’ in the square at the end of the line ‘I Vote for the Loan’. If you wish to vote *against* the loan, write ‘X’ in the square at the end of the line ‘I Vote against the Loan’.
2. After voting, fold the voting paper so that its contents cannot be seen and place it in the ballot box.
3. If you spoil this voting paper, you may return it to the officer who issued it and apply for a fresh one.
4. This voting paper must not be taken out of the polling booth.

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**VOTING PAPER**

*[Name of district]*

Proposal to Raise a Special Loan Under the Local Authorities Loans Act 1956

*[Insert the information specified in paragraphs (b) to (e) of section 35 of that Act, and any other statements required by the Local Authorities Loans Board.]*

<b>I Vote for the Loan</b>	
<b>I Vote against the Loan</b>	

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This Act is administered in the Department of Internal Affairs.

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