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1979, No. 15—*Local*

An Act to provide for the validation of certain postponements and continuation of postponement of payment of portion of the general rates made and levied on farm land in the County of Whangarei [5 December 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—This Act may be cited as the Whangarei County (Rates Postponement) Validation and Empowering Act 1979.

2. Interpretation—In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Rating Act” means the Rating Act 1967:

“Council” means the Whangarei County Council:

“Farm land” has the same meaning as in the Act:

“Special areas” means those parts of the Whangarei County declared to be special areas under Part V of the Act by special orders of the Council in force on the 1st day of April 1979, or by such further special orders as may be made from time to time.

3. Validation—Notwithstanding anything in Part V of the Act, the actions of the Council in declaring the existing special areas under that Part are hereby declared to have been lawful.

4. Power to continue postponement of rates in special areas—It shall be lawful for the Council to continue or to grant postponement of rates on farm land in any of the special areas if the rateable value of such farm land is to some extent attributable to the potential use to which that land may be put for residential, commercial, or industrial development.

5. Provisions of Rating Act 1967 to apply—The provisions of the Act shall apply to every rates postponement authorised by section 4 of this Act as if the words “for residential, commercial, or industrial development” were substituted for the words “for urban development” in section 109 (3) of the Act.
