

AUCKLAND HARBOUR BRIDGE AMENDMENT BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

THE purpose of this Bill is to enable plans, specifications, and conditions of contract relating to the Auckland Harbour bridge to be completed in divisions so that work on the bridge may commence before complete plans and specifications relating to the whole project are prepared. At present the principal Act provides that no work on the bridge (which term includes all approaches) shall commence until complete plans, specifications, and conditions of contract are prepared and approved by the local authorities and Ministers concerned.

Clause 3 provides for amendments ensuring that any alterations by the Authority to the original plans are brought to the notice of the Ministers concerned, and that where an alteration to the plans is made during the construction of the bridge, no work will proceed in connection with the part of the bridge to which the alteration relates until the alteration has been approved by the authorities concerned.

Hon. Mr Goosman

AUCKLAND HARBOUR BRIDGE AMENDMENT

ANALYSIS

Title.	
1. Short Title.	
2. As to preparation of plans, specifications, and conditions of contract for bridge.	3. Provision for alterations in plans to be submitted to Minister of Works and Minister of Marine and for approval of alterations.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Auckland Harbour Bridge Act 1950. Title.

BE IT 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 Auckland Harbour Bridge Amendment Act 1954, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Auckland Harbour Bridge Act 1950 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). Short Title.
1950, No. 101

2. (1) Section twenty-five of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing section twenty-five, and substituting the following section:
" 25. (1) The Authority shall, as soon as practicable, cause to be prepared plans and specifications of the bridge, and conditions of contract in respect of the construction of the bridge. As to preparation of plans, specifications, and conditions of contract for bridge.

- “(2) Any such plans, specifications, and conditions of contract may relate to the complete bridge or may be prepared in divisions in accordance with this section.
- “(3) Subject to the provisions of this section, where the plans, specifications, and conditions of contract are prepared in divisions, the following provisions shall apply: 5
- “(a) The first division shall relate to that part of the bridge which is intended to span the waters of the Waitemata Harbour: 10
- “(b) The second division shall relate to such necessary embankments and approaches as will provide a continuous roadway or street from that part of the bridge referred to in paragraph (a) of this subsection to Stokes Point and shall also relate to one or more roadways connecting the aforesaid approaches with the existing system of streets or roadways on the northern side of the Waitemata Harbour: 15 20
- “(c) The third division shall relate to such necessary embankments and approaches as will provide a continuous roadway or street from that part of the bridge referred to in paragraph (a) of this subsection to Point Erin and shall also relate to one or more roadways connecting the aforesaid approaches with the existing system of streets or roadways on the southern side of the Waitemata Harbour: 25
- “(d) The fourth division shall relate to all other works in connection with the bridge in respect of which the Authority is required to prepare plans, specifications, and conditions of contract. 30
- “(4) The division of the plans, specifications, and conditions of contract prepared under paragraph (a) of subsection *three* of this section shall be prepared first and shall include— 35
- “(a) Complete plans, specifications, and conditions of contract in respect of that part of the bridge referred to in the said paragraph (a); 40

5 “(b) Such drawings as are necessary to show the general arrangement of those parts of the bridge referred to in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of the said subsection *three* and to show the basis of design of the embankments, approaches, and connecting roadways referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c) of the said subsection; and

10 “(c) Such additional drawings and information as may be required by the Minister to ensure that provision is made for the proper integration of all parts of the bridge.

15 “(5) The plans, specifications, and conditions of contract relating to the embankments, approaches, and connecting roadways referred to in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subsection *three* of this section may, if the Authority thinks fit, be prepared in the order indicated in that subsection, or in the reverse order, or together.

20 “(6) The plans, specifications, and conditions of contract relating to those parts of the bridge referred to in paragraph (d) of subsection *three* of this section may be prepared at such times and may relate to such different works as the Authority thinks fit:

25 “Provided that, without the consent of the Minister, no work in connection with the construction of any of the parts of the bridge referred to in the said paragraph (d) shall be commenced before the completion of the embankments, approaches, and connecting roadways referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c) of the said subsection *three*.

30 “(7) Any conditions of contract prepared under subsection *three* of this section may relate to any works of a similar nature referred to in more than one of the divisions provided for by that subsection.”

(2) Section twenty-six of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:

(a) By omitting from subsection one the words “all such”, and substituting the word “the”:

40 (b) By omitting from subsection three the words “All such”, and substituting the word “The”.

(3) Section thirty-two of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:

(a) By inserting in subsection one, after the words “conditions of contract”, the words “relating to that part of the bridge in respect of which construction is about to commence”:

(b) By omitting from subsection two the words “the plans”, and substituting the words “any plans”.

Provision for alterations in plans to be submitted to Minister of Works and Minister of Marine and for approval of alterations.

3. (1) Section thirty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after the words “they were approved”, the words “and to the Minister of Works and the Minister of Marine”.

(2) Section thirty-one of the principal Act is hereby further amended by adding the following as subsection two thereof:

“(2) Where the Authority makes any alteration or variation to any plans, specifications, or conditions of contract during the course of the construction of any part of the bridge to which the alteration or variation relates, no further work in connection with the construction of that part shall, without the consent of the Minister, take place until the alteration or variation has been finally approved in accordance with this section.”