This Public Bill originated in the House of Representatives, ana, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives. 14th November, 1907.

Hon. Mr. Millar.

BEER DUTY ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Beer Duty Act, 1880.

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Beer Duty Act Amendment Short Title. Act, 1907, and shall form part of and be read together with the Beer Duty Act, 1880 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of Commencement 10 January, nineteen hundred and $eigh\bar{t}$, save that licenses may be granted and regulations may be made under the authority of this Act at any time after the passing thereof.

3. In this Act the term "hop-beer" means a fermented beverage "Hop-beer" containing hops, and containing not more than three per cent. of defined. 15 proof spirit.

4. Hop-beer shall not be deemed to be beer within the meaning Hop-beer not

of the principal Act.

5. Every person who manufactures any hop-beer for sale, except Penalty for under the authority of a license granted under this Act, is liable to a manufacturing hop-beer without 20 penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

license.

deemed to be beer.

6. (1.) A license for the manufacture of hop-beer may be License and fee. obtained from the Collector, and a fee of one pound shall be payable therefor.

(2.) Every such license shall continue in force until the thirty-25 first day of December, inclusive, next after its issue.

7. (1.) No hop-beer shall be sold, offered for sale, or exposed Name and address for sale unless the name and address of the manufacturer are printed of manufacturer to be printed on on labels affixed to the cask or bottle in which such hop-beer is con- cask, &c.

(2.) Every person who commits a breach of this section is liable 30 to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

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Permit to remove beer to be with consent of Minister.

Regulations.

8. (1.) No beer shall be removed from a brewery in pursuance of a permit granted under section thirty-two of the principal Act except to a warehouse or other place authorised by the Minister of Customs to be used for the storage of beer, and the said Minister may in his discretion grant, refuse, or withdraw his authority for such use.

(2.) Any beer removed from a brewery contrary to this section

shall be deemed to have been removed without a permit.

9. The Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council gazetted, make regulations for the effectual carrying-out of the provisions of this Act.

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