

*Mr. Sullivan.*

CHRISTCHURCH CITY EMPOWERING.

[LOCAL BILL.]

ANALYSIS.

Title.  
1. Short Title.

2. Voting by cross may be used at  
local elections in Christchurch.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to authorize the Christchurch City Council Title.  
to adopt the System of Voting at Elections and Polls  
by the Marking of a Cross.

5 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 Christchurch City Short Title.  
Empowering Act, 1934.

10 2. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section five  
of the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act, 1926,  
it shall be lawful for the Christchurch City Council (here-  
inafter referred to as the Council), from time to time, by  
resolution, to determine that at elections for Mayor and  
15 Councillors of the City of Christchurch, and at polls taken  
by the Council, the method of voting shall be by mark-  
ing a cross in a square opposite to the name of the  
candidate for whom or the proposal for which the voter  
20 candidates or words.

(2) While any such resolution remains in force, in  
addition to all elections and polls as aforesaid, the

method of voting at all elections conducted by the said Council on behalf of any local authority or public body, any of whose members are elected wholly or partly by electors or ratepayers of the City of Christchurch, shall be as determined by such resolution. 5

(3) While any such resolution remains in force,—

(a) The forms numbered five and six in the First Schedule to the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925, shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed not to have been repealed, and the voting-papers to be used at every election or poll to which such resolution applies shall be in such one of those forms as the case may require, instead of in the form numbered one or the form numbered two in the Schedule to the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act, 1926 : 10 15

Provided that every such voting-paper shall have a counterfoil, and shall have printed on the back thereof and on the counterfoil respectively the matter contained in the form numbered three in the Schedule to the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act, 1926 : 20

(b) Section twenty-five of the Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925, shall apply to any such election or poll as if it had not been amended by section eight of the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act, 1926. 25