

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES for its concurrence.

Legislative Council.

27th September, 1907.

[AS REPORTED FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.]

House of Representatives, 7th November, 1907

Hon. Dr. Findlay.

INDICTABLE OFFENCES SUMMARY JURISDICTION
AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title.
1. Short Title.

| 2. Repeal.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Indictable Offences Summary Jurisdiction Title.
Amendment Act, 1900.

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 Indictable Offences Summary Short Title.
Jurisdiction Amendment Act, 1907.

10 2. (1.) Section fifteen of the Indictable Offences Summary Repeal.
Jurisdiction Amendment Act, 1900, is hereby repealed.

(2.) Section sixteen of the said Act is hereby amended by
omitting the words "the Stipendiary Magistrate," and substituting
therefor the words "a Stipendiary Magistrate or any two Justices."

New clause.

15 3. Section three of the said Act is hereby amended by omitting Section 3 of Act of
the words "or indictment" in paragraph (2) thereof, and substituting 1900 amended.
therefor the words "on indictment."

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INDICTABLE OFFENCES SUMMARY JURISDICTION
AMENDMENT BILL.

MEMORANDUM.

THE object of this Bill is to extend to Justices of the Peace the power now possessed by Magistrates of committing to the Supreme Court for sentence persons pleading guilty to charges of indictable offences. The present law limiting this power to Magistrates is found to be the cause of inconvenience in country districts, and renders necessary a Supreme Court trial in many cases in which the accused is ready to plead guilty in the lower Court.

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