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## LAND BOARDS.

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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for Election of Land Boards.

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

- 5 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Land Boards Act, 1882."  
2. This Act shall be read as part of "The Land Act, 1877" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), and the word "member" mentioned in this Act shall be substituted and read for the word "Commissioner" in the said Act.

- 10 3. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,—  
"Local governing body" means and includes the Council of a borough, the Board, Trustees, or other body or persons having the control of roads or highways in any road district, and, in the case of outlying districts, the respective  
15 Councils of the counties including such districts:

"Land Board" or "Board" shall mean, in addition to the interpretation thereof contained in section four of the said Act, the Board constituted under this Act for the purpose of carrying out the administration of the said Act and the amendments thereof for the time being respectively, or of any the land laws substituted for the time being for the said Act and the amendments thereof.

- 20 4. The Governor shall, by Proclamation as soon as possible after the passing of this Act, for the purposes of the elections hereinafter,  
25 divide each existing land district into five electoral districts, each such electoral district comprising all the road districts within one or more counties and any borough or boroughs contiguous thereto.

- 30 5. Such Proclamation shall take effect at such time within months from the date thereof as therein notified, and until the election of the said respective Boards under this Act all Land Boards existing at the time of the passing of this Act shall continue in office.

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6. The Land Board for each district, to be called "The Land Board of [*name of land district*]," shall consist of the Commissioner of Crown Lands of the district and *five* elective members, that is to say, one member for each electoral district, who shall be respectively elected by the local governing bodies within the said electoral districts respectively. Any person qualified to be a member of a local governing body shall be eligible to be elected a member of such Land Board.

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Hold office for three  
years.

7. Such Land Board shall hold office for and be elected every three years.

Manner of elections,  
&c.

8. The Governor shall, by and in the Proclamation defining the districts as in section four aforesaid, fix the date of the first election under this Act, and shall therein also prescribe the method of conducting the said elections, and for determining the validity of disputed elections hereunder, and for any other purpose necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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Chairman and casting  
vote.

9. The Commissioner of Crown Lands shall be the Chairman of the Board *ex officio*, and shall have a casting vote in all questions and matters before the Board; and in the absence of the said Commissioner of Crown Lands from any meeting the members present at such meeting shall out of the members so present select their Chairman, who shall during such meeting have all the powers of the said Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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Supply of vacancies.

10. In the event of any vacancy occurring in the Board as in section twenty of the said Act, the Board shall elect a duly-qualified person to supply such vacancy until the next election of members under this Act.

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