Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward.

LOCAL BODIES' LOANS ACT AMENDMENT.

Title.

1. Short Title.

## ANALYSIS.

2. Rate of interest on Government loans reduced. Repeal.
3. Rate of interest on existing Government loans.

## A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901.
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 Local Bodies' Loans Act short Title. Amendment Act, 1907, and shall form part of and be read together with the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1901 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). after the passing of this Act the rate of interest and the period during which the interest is payable by the local authority shall, at the option of the local authority, be-
(a.) Four and a half per centum per annum for a period of
(b.) Four per centum per annum for a period of thirty-two years; or
(c.) Three and a half per centum per annum for a period of fortyone years.
20 (2.) Such option shall be exercised by the local authority on its application for the loan.
(3.) At the expiration of the period during which interest is payable the liability of the local authority shall cease without further payment.
(4.) Section eight of the Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, Repeal. 1903, is hereby repealed.
2. (1.) With respect to loans heretofore granted under Part II Rate of interest of the principal Act, or under the Government Loans to Local on oxisting Bodies Act, 1886, the rate of interest payable by the local authority
30 shall hereafter be as follows :-
(a.) Where the period during which interest is payable is twentysix years, the rate shall be four and a half per centum per annum ;

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(b.) Where such period is thirty-two years, the rate shall be four per centum per annum ; and
(c.) Where such period is forty-one years, the rate shall be three and a half per centum per annum.
(2.) The provisions of this section shall, in the case of each such loan, commence to take effect with respect to the next halfyearly payment of interest which becomes due and payable after the passing of this Act.

By Authority : John Mackay, Government Printer, Wellington.-1907.

