

Hon. Sir W. J. Steward.

NATIVE BIRDS PROTECTION.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for the Protection of Birds indigenous to New Zealand. Title.

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 Native Birds Protection Act, 1910. Short Title.

2. In this Act the term "native birds" shall mean and include all birds which are indigenous to New Zealand, or which periodically visit New Zealand; and "molest" shall mean and include the injuring or capturing of any native bird and the robbing or destruction of the nest of any such bird. Interpretation.

3. From and after the passing of this Act any person who destroys or molests any native bird not excepted under section four of this Act shall be liable to a penalty of not exceeding twenty pounds, or, in default of payment of fine, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months. Native birds not to be destroyed or molested.

4. Notwithstanding anything in the preceding section contained, the Governor may, by Order in Council, from time to time declare that any native bird specified in such Order may be taken or killed, and such Order may from time to time be revoked. Specified birds may be excepted by Order in Council.

By Authority : JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1910.