Hon. Mr. Seddon.

NORTH OF AUCKLAND COUNTIES VEHICLE LICENSING.

ANALYSIS.

Title. Preamble. 1. Short Title.

2. All vehicles to be licensed.

A BILL INTITULED

An Acr to extend the Powers of the County Councils in the Northern Title. Part of the North Island so as to enable them to raise the Funds necessary to defray the Cost of the Maintenance and Repair of County Roads.

WHEREAS the county roads in the several counties north of the Preamble. Manukau and Auckland Harbours are subjected to exceptional traffic, and the Councils of the said counties require additional powers for the control and direction of such traffic:

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The North of Auckland Short Title. Counties Vehicle Licensing Act, 1893."

2. In addition to their powers under section three hundred and all vehicles to be eleven of "The Counties Act, 1886" (herein referred to as "the said licensed. Act"), the County Councils of the several Counties of Waitemata, Rodney, Otamatea, Whangarei, Hobson, Hokianga, Bay of Islands, Whangaroa, and Mongonui are hereby respectively authorised from 20 time to time to make, alter, or repeal by-laws under the said Act to provide for the licensing of all vehicles drawn upon or along any road within the county, and to prevent unlicensed vehicles using any of the said county roads, and for appointing the several sums to be paid to the county fund for the licensing of vehicles as herein men-

25 tioned; which sums may be appointed to vary in respect of different classes of vehicles, the number and species of animals used in drawing the same, the weight of the load laden on such vehicles, the width of the tires of the wheels, or the number of passengers to be carried respectively.

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No vehicle shall be entitled to any exemption from being licensed as aforesaid by reason of carrying Her Majesty's mails if any goods, merchandise, or passengers are conveyed in the same vehicle; but this provision shall not apply in respect of any vehicle used for the carriage of mails under any contract entered into before the passing of this Act until the expiry of the said contract.

By Authority: Samuel Costall, Government Printer, Wellington.-1893.

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