House of Representatives, 18th August, 1931.

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PETONE BOROUGH COUNCIL EMPOWERING.

[LOCAL BILL.]

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

Struck out.

An Act to make and levy Uniform Special Rates.

WHEREAS the Petone Borough Council, in accordance with the terms of a petition received from James Huggins and others, has widened and improved the Koro Koro Road in the Borough of Petone and extended the borough water-supply to that portion of the borough known as the Koro Koro Special-rating Area: And whereas it was part of the prayer of the said petition that the Petone Borough Council should promote a local Bill for the purpose of enabling the Council to levy over the said portion of the borough, in addition to any general and separate rates from time to time levied or to be levied, a consolidated rate over the rateable property comprised in the said portion of the borough at a poundage equal to the total poundage of special rates from time to time levied over the balance of the rateable property comprised in the borough: And whereas all special rates heretofore levied over the said portion of the borough are special rates over the whole borough:

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An Act to enable the Petone Borough Council to make Uniform Special Title. Rates over the Whole Borough.

WHEREAS the Petone Borough Council has widened and improved Preamble. the Koro Koro Road, in the Borough of Petone, and extended the borough water-supply to that portion of the borough known as the Koro Koro Special-rating Area, and has paid for such works out of revenue and without raising any special loan: And whereas such works were done at the request of the general body of ratepayers in the aforesaid specialrating area: And whereas before such works were commenced it was

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agreed that in consideration of the same being done out of revenue the rateable property in the said special-rating area should be made liable for all subsisting special rates charged upon the balance of the rateable property in the borough: And whereas it was further agreed that the ratepayers of the said special-rating area should petition the Petone Borough Council praying that a Local Bill should be promoted to give effect to the agreement first above recited: And whereas the petition of James Huggins and others, bearing date the fifteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty, was presented to the Petone Borough 10 Council accordingly:

BE IT THEREFORE 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 Petone Borough Council Em- 15

powering Act, 1931.

2. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act, it shall be lawful for the Petone Borough Council, within the space of one calendar month after the eeming-into-feree commencement of this Act, by resolution to declare that any special rates now-payable heretofore made 20 in respect of the rateable property comprised in any part of the borough shall, for the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and for every year thereafter, be payable in respect of the rateable property comprised in the whole of the borough.

3. Upon the passing of such resolution the Petone Borough Council may levy such special rates accordingly, and the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, the Rating Act, 1925, and the Local

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Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, shall apply thereto.

4. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to empower the Petone 30 Borough Council to levy any special rate after the loan in respect of

which such special rate was made shall have been fully paid off.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act, it shall be lawful for the Petone Borough Council, without taking the steps prescribed by sections nine to thirteen inclusive of the Local Bodies' Loans 35 Act, 1926, by special order to raise to appropriate and pledge as security for any special loan or loans raised for the purpose of paying off the whole or any part of any special loan raised before the coming into force commencement of this Act, and to appropriate and pledge as security for any-such-first-mentioned-special-loan a special rate made and levied for 40 the purpose of such first-mentioned special loan upon the whole of the rateable property within the Borough of Petone.

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Validating rates payable under section 2.

6. If the Petone Borough Council shall pass a resolution in pursuance of the power conferred by section two hereof within the time 45 limited by the said section, all rates demanded by the Petone Borough Council, whether before or after the commencement of this Act, in respect of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, shall be valid in all respects as if the Petone Borough Council, before publicly notifying its intention to make such 50 rates, had possessed the powers hereby conferred and had passed such resolution.

Short Title.

Extension of special rates to parts of borough not previously rated.

Special rates may be levied accordingly.