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This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,
19th August, 1896.

[AS AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.]

Mr. G. Hutchison.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COPYRIGHT.

ANALYSIS.

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| <p>Title.</p> <p>1. Short Title.</p> <p>2. Copyright law to apply to certain photographs without registration.</p> | <p>3. Penalty for publishing protected photographs without authority.</p> <p>4. Penalty for illegal attempts to protect or reproduce photographs.</p> |
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to protect certain Photographs.

Title.

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 Photographic Copyright Act, 1896." Short Title.
- 10 2. The protection of the copyright law shall, in respect of photographs other than ~~the portraits of individuals, or photographs for~~ Copyright law to apply to certain photographs without registration.
~~portraits of persons, or of groups of persons, or photographs of any~~
~~subject for the taking of which valuable consideration has been given,~~
 apply in all respects as if such photographs had been duly registered and protected under such law in favour of the person or firm taking and producing such photographs, for a period of *five* years from the
 15 date of the first taking the same, if the word "Protected," followed by the name of the person or firm taking such photographs, and the true date of such taking, are made part of the original plate, and clearly appear in each reproduction thereof.
- 20 3. Any person publishing any copy of such photograph without the authority of the person or firm protected under this Act, shall be liable on conviction to a penalty in respect of each copy so published without authority not exceeding *twenty* shillings; and all copies so published without authority may be ordered to be destroyed. Proceedings under this section may be by way of summary procedure
 25 before any two Justices of the Peace. Penalty for publishing protected photographs without authority.

New clause.

4. Any person who shall inscribe on the original plate, or publish on any reproduction thereof, the particulars intended to confer protection under the *second* section of this Act in respect of any portrait Penalty for illegal attempts to protect or reproduce photographs.

or photograph excepted from the protection conferred by that section, and also any person who shall in any way reproduce or publish the portrait of an individual or individuals, or a photograph for the taking of which valuable consideration has been given, without the authority in writing of the individual or individuals whose portrait or portraits have been taken, or from whom valuable consideration for photographs has been received, shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding *five* pounds for each offence.

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