

Hon. Sir P. A. Buckley.

## PUBLIC DOMAINS ACT AMENDMENT.

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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to extend the Provisions of "The Public Domains Act, 1881." Title.

BE IT 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 Public Domains Act Amendment Act, 1893." Short Title.

2. The Governor, by Order in Council from time to time,— Governor may declare local authority to be Trustees of a domain, or may vest domain in local authority subject to this Act.

10 (1.) May declare any local authority to be Trustees of a public domain, as a Domain Board, and either originally or in succession, or in substitution of any Domain Board having the control of such domain; or

(2.) May declare any public domain to be vested in the local authority having the control thereof as a Domain Board; Dissolution of existing Domain Board.

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(3.) May vest any public domain in a local authority as Trustees thereof subject to this Act.

3. Where a local authority is constituted a Domain Board Certain sections of Public Domains Act to apply.

20 sections ten, eleven, and fifteen to eighteen of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," shall extend and apply to the lands under the control of the local authority; and any powers thereby conferred may be exercised by the aforesaid local authority without any delegation or other authority from the Governor under that Act.

4. Where a local authority is appointed as aforesaid in succession or in substitution of a Domain Board previously having control of a domain, then from and after the taking effect of the Order in Council of appointment,— Dissolution of existing Domain Board.

(1.) The Domain Board previously appointed to have control of such recreation-ground as a public domain under "The Public Domains Act, 1881," shall be dissolved:

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Personal property and contracts of former Domain Board to vest in local authority.

(2.) All personal property and moneys, and any security for any money, which, on the last-mentioned date, shall be the property of or due to the Domain Board aforesaid, shall thereupon vest in and become the property of the local authority aforesaid :

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(3.) All contracts and engagements lawfully made by the aforesaid Domain Board and existing at the aforesaid date, and all liabilities in respect thereof or in relation thereto, and all actions or proceedings begun and not completed at the date aforesaid, shall respectively belong and attach to and may be enforced by and against the aforesaid local authority.

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Vesting of domain in local authority.

5. Where a public domain is vested in a local authority, then, from and after the date of the taking effect of the Order in Council so vesting the domain, the lands described in such Order in Council shall become and be vested in such local authority as a place of public recreation and enjoyment, subject to this Act and to all Acts affecting public reserves.

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Powers of local authority in maintaining domain.

6. The local authority last aforesaid, in respect of the lands vested in them, may do all such acts and things as may be requisite or proper to be done in maintaining, ornamenting, laying-out, and managing the lands hereby vested in the local authority for purposes of public recreation, with all the powers granted to Trustees of recreation-grounds under "The Public Reserves Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1885."

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Power to make by-laws.

7. In addition to all other powers under this Act, the local authority aforesaid, in respect of the lands vested in them, may from time to time make, alter, or repeal by-laws,—

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(a.) To regulate the use and management of the recreation-ground aforesaid; to fix the times at which, and the restrictions under which, the same may be used by the public :

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(b.) To prevent and punish improper, indecent, or disorderly conduct, or the use of foul or abusive language, or any practices calculated to offend or annoy the public in the use and enjoyment of the recreation-ground.

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All by-laws made under this Act shall be subject to any law for the time being in force relating to the administration of public reserves, or the management of public domains respectively.

Proceeds from domain to be expended thereon. Power to supplement proceeds from District Fund.

8. All moneys from time to time received by the local authority in respect of the domain, or for the use thereof, shall be set apart, paid, and applied by the local authority for the purposes of this Act, and, so far as such moneys are unpaid or do not extend, such local authority may, from time to time, lay out and extend for the purposes of this Act, such part of the District Fund as may be necessary.

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## LAND TRANSFER ACT AMENDMENT.

### ANALYSIS.

Title.	
1. Short Title.	registration, and shall be effectual for all purposes. Provisions as to advertising, security, and stamping of copy.
2. Limitation of actions against Registrar-General for recovery of damages out of Assurance Fund.	4. Purchaser not concerned to inquire if estate charged with debt due to Crown other than as notified.
3. If instrument cannot be produced, copy may be registered indorsed with certificate of	5. Repeal.

### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Land Transfer Act, 1885."

Title.

BE IT 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 Land Transfer Act Amendment Act, 1893." Short Title.

2. Section one hundred and eighty-seven of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885" (herein referred to as "the said Act"), is hereby Limitation of actions against Registrar-General for recovery of damages out of Assurance Fund.

10 repealed, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—  
No action shall lie or be sustained against the Registrar-General of Land, as in the said Act provided, unless such action be commenced within six years from the date when the person entitled to maintain the same, not being under any legal disability, shall have had notice or knowledge of the matters constituting the cause of action: Provided that the whole period within which any action may be brought as aforesaid shall not exceed twelve years from the date when the right to bring such action accrued to some person not under disability of infancy or unsoundness of mind.

20 The provisions of this section shall extend to enable effect to be given to the recommendation of the Public Petitions Committee of the House of Representatives upon the claim of one Rutu Peehi in respect of deprivation of interest in Manawatu-Kukutauaki Block, and to any recommendation of any Committee of the said House or  
25 of the Legislative Council which may hereafter be made upon any other claim barred by the aforesaid section one hundred and eighty-seven, as if this section had been in force from the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six: Provided that no such recommendation hereafter to be made shall be acted upon  
30 unless formally approved by the said House or the said Council, as the case may be.

3. If it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Registrar and Examiner of Titles that any instrument required to be registered under the said Act cannot be produced for that purpose, and that such instrument, notwithstanding any defect in form, is effectual in law to create or transfer any estate or interest under the said Act, it shall be lawful for the Registrar to dispense with the production of such instrument, and, in lieu thereof, to register a copy thereof duly verified to the satisfaction of the Registrar and Examiner; and such copy, when indorsed with a certificate of registration, shall be receivable in evidence, and the registration thereof shall be as effectual for all purposes under the said Act as the original would have been had the same been duly registered: Provided that such certificate of registration shall be signed by both the Registrar and Examiner of Titles, or, in case those offices are held conjointly, then such certificate shall be countersigned by the Registrar-General of Land: Provided also that before registering any such copy the Registrar shall cause notice of the application to register the same to be published in the *Gazette*, and at least three times in some newspaper published in the provincial district in which the land is situate, and shall give, or require the applicant to give, such special notices and to give such security by way of indemnity to the Assurance Fund as the Registrar and Examiner shall deem necessary: Provided also that, in case the original instrument has not been stamped within the colony, such certified copy shall, before registration, be stamped in the same manner as an original, which the Commissioner of Stamps is hereby empowered to do, without fine, at any time within three months from the date of reception thereof in the colony.

4. No person acquiring by purchase from the registered proprietor any estate or interest in land under the provisions of the said Act shall be concerned to inquire whether such estate or interest is charged with any debt due to the Crown other than as is notified on the existing folium of the Register at the date of such acquisition; and any estate or interest so acquired shall be held by the purchaser freed and absolutely discharged from all Crown debts and liabilities whatsoever except such as are notified as aforesaid.

5. Section two hundred and ten of the said Act is hereby repealed.

If instrument cannot be produced, copy may be registered indorsed with certificate of registration, and shall be effectual for all purposes.

Provisions as to advertising, security, and stamping of copy.

Purchaser not concerned to inquire if estate charged with debt due to Crown other than as notified.

Repeal.