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{AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE, 18TH JULY, 1901.]

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Physical Drill in Public and Native Schools
~~STATE SCHOOL CHILDREN COMPULSORY DRILL.~~

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide that Education Boards shall cause Military and Physical Drill to be taught to Boys and Girls attending Public Schools. Title.

5 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 State-school Children ~~Compulsory~~ Drill Act, 1901," and it shall be read with and form part Short Title.
10 of "The Education Act, 1877."

2. It shall be the duty of the Board of Education in each district constituted under "The Education Act, 1877," to cause ~~military and~~ physical drill to be taught to all boys and girls over the age of eight years attending the public schools in the school district. Compulsory to teach physical drill to boys and girls attending public schools.

15 3. The Education Board of each district shall from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make regulations and orders for fixing the times which shall be appointed and set apart for instructing boys and girls of the required age in ~~military and~~ physical drill, and the mode in which such instruction shall be Education Board to make regulations.
20 given; and the Education Board of each district may from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, alter or repeal any such regulations.

4. Every Education Board shall furnish a quarterly report to the Minister of Education showing that the requirements of this Act and Boards to furnish quarterly reports to Minister of Education.
25 the regulations made thereunder are being complied with.

5. Out of the vote provided for Native schools the Minister of Education shall make provision for the teaching of ~~military and~~ physical drill to all children over the age of eight years attending Maori schools. Children attending Native schools to be taught drill.

30 6. Upon the certificate in writing of the parent or guardian of any boy or girl, such boy or girl shall be exempted from being instructed in ~~military and physical drill.~~ *principal teacher of any school being satisfied that any boy or girl is unfit to undergo physical drill, such boy or girl shall be exempted from being instructed in such drill.* Boys and girls may be exempt from operation of Act.

35 7. This Act shall come into operation on the *first day of January*, one thousand nine hundred and two. Date Act comes into operation.