

(Hon. Mr. Vogel.)

Provincial Governments.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT respecting the Government of Provinces.

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 shall be "The Provincial Governments Act 1871."

Short Title.

5 **2.** The Superintendent for the time being of the several Provinces of Auckland Taranaki Wellington Nelson Canterbury and Otago shall by virtue of his office of Superintendent and so long as he holds the same be a Member of the Provincial Council of the Province of which he is Superintendent.

Superintendents of Auckland Taranaki Wellington Nelson Canterbury and Otago to be Members of Provincial Council.

10 **3.** Upon the termination of the Provincial Councils of each of the Provinces aforesaid existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Act by effluxion of time or dissolution the laws in force immediately before the coming into operation of this Act prescribing defining or relating to the number of Members of which the Provincial

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15 Councils of such Province shall consist or to the Electoral Districts for the election of such Members shall be hereby repealed and thereupon and thereafter those Electoral Districts for the election of those Members of the House of Representatives which are for the time being in force and are contained wholly or partly within the boundaries of such

20 Province shall be the Electoral Districts for the election of Members of the Provincial Council of such Province but if any such Electoral District shall not be wholly within such Province then that part which does lie within such Province shall be an Electoral District for the election of Members of such Council.

Number of Members for each district to be same as for House of Representatives.

4. The number of Members to be returned to the Provincial Council of such Province by each of such districts respectively shall be such number of Members as by the law for the time being in force such districts respectively return to the House of Representatives and as to Electoral Districts for the House of Representatives of which only a part and not the whole lies within such Province then the number of Members to be returned to the Provincial Council for such part shall be such number as shall be fixed by Order in Council not exceeding the number of Members returned for the whole district to the House of Representatives. 5

Electoral rolls in force for Electoral Districts for House of Representatives to be electoral rolls for Provincial Council elections.

5. Upon and after such repeal as aforesaid the electoral rolls for the time being in force for the election for the several Electoral Districts within any of the Provinces aforesaid of Members of the House of Representatives shall be the electoral rolls for the election for such districts of Members of the Provincial Council of such Province but as to the electoral rolls for any Electoral Districts for the election of Members of the House of Representatives not wholly contained within such Province the Registration Officer appointed for the part of such district lying within such Province and which part is hereby constituted an Electoral District for the election of Members of the Council of such Province shall whenever an electoral roll from time to time comes in force for the whole Electoral District for the election of Members of the House of Representatives form therefrom for such part an electoral roll for the election of Members of the Provincial Council and for that purpose the name of every elector on the roll for the time being in force for the whole district whose qualification is in respect of lands or tenements situate within the part of the district lying within the Province shall be placed on the roll for such part and from such rolls shall be formed the roll for the election of the Superintendent of such Province. 10 15 20 25

Governor may on dissolution of Provincial Council declare that there shall not be new election of Superintendent.

6. The Governor whenever he dissolves the Provincial Council of any Province may if he think fit in and by the Proclamation whereby he dissolves such Council declare that notwithstanding such dissolution there shall not on the occasion thereof be a new election of a Superintendent of such Province and in case such declaration shall be made the person who shall be in office as Superintendent of such Province at the time of such Proclamation shall notwithstanding such dissolution continue in office until the termination of such Council by effluxion of time or by a subsequent dissolution or until the death resignation removal or disqualification of such person. 30 35

When disagreement exists between Superintendent and Provincial Council Governor may order new election of Superintendent.

7. Whenever it appears to the Governor that on account of the existence of disagreements between the Superintendent of any Province and the Provincial Council of such Province or for other reasons a new election of a Superintendent should be held without a dissolution of the Council the Governor may instead of dissolving such Council by Proclamation published in the *New Zealand Gazette* direct that a new election of a Superintendent of such Province shall be held and thereupon a new election shall be held and the like proceedings had as in the case of a vacancy by resignation of such Superintendent accepted by the Governor but the Superintendent in office at the time of making such Proclamation shall remain in office till the election of his successor. 40 45

In Taranaki Hawke's Bay Marlborough number of Members of Provincial Councils not to be enlarged.

8. In the Provinces of Taranaki Hawke's Bay and Marlborough respectively the number of Members of which the Provincial Councils thereof by law now consist shall not be enlarged except by Act of the General Assembly. 50