

Provincial Legislation.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to remove Doubts as to the Powers of Provincial Legislatures to make Laws for the Peace Order and good Government of their respective Provinces.

WHEREAS by an Act passed by the Imperial Parliament in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria intituled "An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand" it is enacted *inter alia* that it shall be lawful for the Superintendent of each Province with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof to make and ordain all such Laws and Ordinances (with certain exceptions thereinafter mentioned) as may be required for the peace order and good government of such Province And whereas doubts have arisen as to the power of Superintendents and Provincial Councils to make such Laws and Ordinances as aforesaid

BE IT THEREFORE 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 Legislation Act 1869."

2. All Laws or Ordinances heretofore enacted or which may be hereafter enacted by any Superintendent and Provincial Council in virtue of the powers conferred upon them by the said recited Act shall have the same force and effect before every Court of competent jurisdiction throughout the Colony as if such Laws or Ordinances had been passed by the General Assembly Provided always that such Laws and Ordinances shall have been duly assented to or left to their operation by the Governor in manner prescribed by the said recited Act.