

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.

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(Mr. Buckland.)

## Protection of Animals Act Amendment.

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### A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873."

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 Protection of Animals Act Amendment Act, 1874;" and it shall be read with and as part of "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873," (hereinafter called "the said Act").

Short Title.

2. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent of any province, by Proclamation in the *Provincial Government Gazette*, to erect any part or parts of such province into a district or districts within which during the time such Proclamation shall be in force, and for the period or periods in such Proclamation specified, any animal or bird named therein shall, except as hereinafter provided, cease to be deemed game or native game within the meaning of this Act; and during the period or periods specified in such Proclamation such animal or bird may be hunted shot taken or killed without license, payment of fees, or other condition or restriction whatsoever: But the provisions of the eighteenth section of the said Act shall still be in force within every such district, and no such game or native game shall be sold or offered or exposed for sale excepting during the season in which it shall from time to time be lawful to sell similar game or native game in parts of such province not erected into districts under this Act; and any breach of this proviso shall be punishable in the same manner as if no district had been erected under this Act.

Superintendent may by Proclamation erect districts.

3. By subsequent Proclamations, any such Proclamation may in like manner be altered amended or revoked, and the boundaries of any district or districts may be altered, or any such district or districts may be abolished, and new districts created in lieu thereof.

Proclamations may be altered or revoked

4. When any such Proclamation as in the second section of this Act mentioned shall be entirely revoked, the provisions of the said Act shall be deemed and taken to be again in force in the part of the

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province formerly included in the district erected by such revoked Proclamation; and it shall not be lawful thereafter, without fresh Proclamation, to hunt take shoot or kill any animal or bird referred to in such revoked Proclamation, excepting in accordance with the provisions of the said Act.

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Section 17 of former Act amended.

5. Section seventeen of the said Act is hereby amended by adding the following words at the end thereof:—"On the lands of which such person shall be in *bonâ fide* occupation as aforesaid."

Penalty for selling game without license.

6. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the eighteenth section of the said Act contained, the penalty for selling game without a license shall be any sum not exceeding twenty pounds.

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Tuis not to be shot except under provisions of section 23 of said Act.

7. From and after the passing of this Act, the native bird known as the Tui shall cease to be native game; and henceforth any person who shall, except under the provisions of section twenty-three of the said Act, shoot any tui, or who shall sell or offer or expose for sale, or who shall purchase any dead tui, shall be deemed and taken to have committed an offence against the said Act, and shall on conviction thereof forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding ten pounds.

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