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Hon. Sir J. G. Ward.

PUBLIC RESERVES ACT AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Public Reserves 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 Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1902." Short Title.

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.

10 "Reserve" means a public reserve as defined in "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and includes any land, whether Crown land or not, bought or otherwise acquired in any manner by any Trustees and set apart as a recreation-ground or as a racecourse:

15 "Trustees" means the local authority, Board, Trustees, or other persons, howsoever designated, who have the control of a reserve set apart as a recreation-ground or a racecourse.

20 3. If it appears to the Governor in Council that any election of Trustees has not been duly held as required by the provisions of any Act of the General Assembly or of any Provincial Ordinance, or that there is a vacancy in the office of such Trustees which cannot be filled without difficulty, or that doubts have arisen or may arise as to the validity of the constitution of such Trustees, or that for any other reason it is expedient that the powers hereinafter set forth should be exercised, then and in any such case the Governor may by Order in Council appoint such persons as he thinks fit to be the Trustees of the reserve. Trustees may be appointed in certain cases.

4. From and after the date of any such Order in Council,—

30 (1.) The persons so appointed shall be and be deemed to be the Trustees of the reserve until their successors are duly elected or appointed, and no person other than the persons so appointed shall be or be deemed to have any right, title, or interest as Trustees or Trustee of such reserve. Effect thereof, and powers of Trustees.

- (2.) The reserve shall be vested in the persons so appointed as Trustees without any conveyance thereof.
- (3.) The Trustees so appointed shall have all the powers conferred upon the Trustees of the reserve by any Act or Provincial Ordinance.
- (4.) If the Trustees are incorporated by any such Act or Ordinance, the persons so appointed shall be deemed to be duly constituted as the Corporation.