This PUBLIC BILL originated in the llouse of Representatives, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,

4th November, 1912.

Hon. Mr. Massey.

PUBLIC RESERVES AND DOMAINS AMENDMENT.

Title. 1. Short Title. ANALYSIS.

2. Domain Boards may, with consent of | 3. County Council may provisionally acquire Minister, purchase lands for cash or on land for recreation purposes. deferred payment.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908. Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows :---

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Reserves and Domains Short Title. Amendment Act, 1912, and shall form part of and be read together with the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

10 2. The Board, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Domain Boards section forty-six and by paragraph (c) of section thirty-three of the may, with consent of Minister, principal Act, may enter into a contract for the purchase of lands, purchase lands for tenements, and hereditaments, upon terms providing for payment of payment. the whole or of part or parts of the purchase-moneys at a future

15 date or dates, and for payment of interest upon any unpaid purchasemoneys at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum:

Provided that—

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- (a.) No such contract under the authority hereby conferred shall be valid unless the Minister expressly approves the same by writing indorsed thereon.
- (b.) In every such contract it shall be expressly provided that the vendor shall have no claim or right of action in respect of any unpaid purchase-money or interest against His Majesty or upon the Government or public revenues of New Zealand.
- (c.) In every such contract it shall be provided that upon payment in full of the purchase-money the land shall be vested in His Majesty by conveyance or transfer from the vendor.
- 3. (1.) The Council of any county may acquire land for County Council 30 recreation purposes in the manner prescribed by the last preceding may provisionally acquire land for section, and may hold the same temporarily pending the appoint- recreation ment of trustees or Board.
- (2.) On the appointment of such trustees the Council may 35 transfer the land to the trustees, and thereupon the assets and liabilities of the Council in respect to the said land shall become the assets and liabilities of the trustees or Board.

purposes.

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