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.

House of Representatives. 22nd November, 1907.

Hon. Mr. McGowan.

RAILWAYS AUTHORISATION.

ANALYSIS.

1. Short Title.

2. Repeal.

3. Certain railways authorised.

4. How cost to be defrayed.

5. Act to be deemed a special Act. Schedule.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to authorise the Construction of certain Railways. 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 Railways Authorisation Act, Short Title. 1907.

2. So much of the Schedule to the Railways Authorisation Act, Repeal. 1901, as affects the Ngahere-Blackball Railway is hereby repealed.

3. The Governor may from time to time, in the name and on Certain railways behalf of His Majesty, undertake or enter into contracts for the construction of the railways mentioned in the Schedule hereto to the extent specified in such Schedule.

4. The cost of constructing such railways shall be paid out of How cost to be 15 moneys to be appropriated for that purpose by Parliament.

5. This Act shall be deemed to be a special Act authorising the Act to be deemed a construction of such railways to the extent specified in such special Act. Schedule, within the meaning and for the purpose of the Public Works Act, 1905, which Act is, as far as applicable, hereby incor-20 porated with this Act.

SCHEDULE.

Schedule.

Name of Railway.	Extent authorised.
Helensville Northwards (Pukek roro Ballast-pit Siding)	A branch line from the Helensville Northwards Railway in Section 86, Block XIV, Waipu Survey District, to the eastern boundary of Section 84 in the same block. Length, about one mile.

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SCHEDULE—continued.

	Extent authorised.	
Iwi	A branch line from Kai Iwi to Sections 6k and 5c, Block XV, Nukumaru Survey District. Length, about two miles and a quarter.	
•••	From the termination of the line as at present authorised in Block XIV, Clifford Bay Survey District, to Ward Township. Length, about eight miles and a half.	
•	From Ngahere, on the Stillwater-Reefton Section of the Midland Railway, to a point near the adit of the Blackball Mine on the left bank of Ford's Creek. Length, about three miles and a half.	
•••	An extension from the State Collieries Station on the Greymouth – Point Elizabeth Railway up the valley of the Seven-mile Creek. Length, about four miles.	
•••	From the termination of the line as at present authorised in Section 2, Block IV, Woodland Survey District, to a point in Section 1, Block VI, Woodland Survey District.	

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