

New Parliament.

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,
10th December, 1879.*

[AS AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.]

Mr. Toles.

Slaughterhouses Act 1877 Amendment.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Slaughterhouses Act, 1877." Title.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the power of establishing Preamble.
abattoirs and slaughterhouses within the limits of boroughs, and it is expedient to remove such doubts, and further to amend the law relating to the establishment and licensing respectively of abattoirs and slaughterhouses :

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 is "The Slaughterhouses Act 1877 Short Title.
Amendment Act, 1879;" and it shall be deemed to be incorporated with, and shall be read with, "The Slaughterhouses Act, 1877" (herein called "the said Act").

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.
"Local governing body" means the "Council" as in the said Act defined, and also the Road Board or Trustees of every Road District or Highway District or other like body, howsoever denominated, now or hereafter created or constituted under any Act of the General Assembly, or any Act or Ordinance of any Provincial Council, for the local government of such district ;

"Abattoir" means and includes any public slaughterhouse or place for slaughtering cattle, with its appurtenances, erected and established by the Governor, or by any Superintendent under the authority of any enactment hereby repealed, or by the Council of any corporate district as in the said Act described, under any authority enabling such Council in that behalf, or under this Act.

Clauses 3 to 5 erased.

~~3.~~ Sections six, seven, eight, nine, and ten of the said Act are hereby repealed; and in lieu thereof it is enacted as follows:—

~~4.~~ Subject to the provisions of section thirty-eight of the said Act, the establishing of abattoirs and licensing of slaughterhouses shall be exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Councils of counties and boroughs respectively. 5

~~5.~~ Subject as hereinafter, the Council of every county may erect and establish one or more abattoirs within the limits of such county, but at a distance of not less than half a mile from any borough. 10

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~~6.~~ ~~3.~~ In all parts of New Zealand in which the whole of "The Counties Act, 1876," is not in operation *Notwithstanding anything in the said Act contained*, no abattoirs shall be erected or established, and no license shall be issued in respect of any slaughterhouse situated within the limits or jurisdiction of any local governing body, without the consent of such body. 15

New proviso.

Provided always that if the said governing body shall refuse to give their consent it shall be lawful for the Governor, if applied to for that purpose, to nominate three Justices of the Peace, one of whom shall be a Resident Magistrate, who after hearing the parties shall determine by a majority whether or not such slaughterhouse shall be erected or established or licensed as aforesaid, and shall make an order in conformity with such determination, which shall be final and conclusive. 20 25

Provisions not to apply to abattoirs and slaughterhouses already established and licensed.

~~7.~~ ~~4.~~ The provisions contained in sections ~~four, five, and six~~ *three* of this Act shall not apply to any abattoir or slaughterhouse erected and licensed at the time of the passing of this Act.