TRANSPORT AMENDMENT BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

- Clause 2: Under the principal Act an invalid carriage that weighs not more than 5 cwt. unladen is excluded from the definition of the term "motor vehicle" in section 2 (1), and the provisions of that Act relating to motor vehicles do not apply to it. The purpose of this clause is to abolish this weight limitation so that those provisions will not apply to any invalid carriage, irrespective of its weight.
- Clause 3: The purpose of this clause is to provide that the same annual licence fee will be payable in respect of a station wagon used for private purposes as is payable in the case of a motor car.
- Clause 4: At present power cycles come within the definition of the term "motor cycle", and are liable as motor cycles for an initial registration fee of £2 and an annual licence fee of £2. This clause provides that the registration fee and annual licence fee for power cycles are each to be £1.
- Clause 5: The maximum penalty for driving a motor vehicle while disqualified is a fine of £100. The effect of this clause is that the maximum penalty in such a case will be imprisonment for a term of three months or a fine of £100.

Hon. Mr Goosman

TRANSPORT AMENDMENT

ANALYSIS

Title

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Short Title.

2. Abolishing weight restriction on invalid carriages.

3. Station wagons used for private purposes liable for same annual licence fees as motor cars.

4. Registration and licence fees for power cycles. enalty for

5. Penalty driving disqualified.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Transport Act 1949.

Title.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Transport Amend- Short Title. ment Act 1954, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Transport Act 1949 (hereinafter 1949, No. 7 referred to as the principal Act).

2. (1) Section two of the principal Act is hereby Abolishing amended by omitting from the definition of the term weight. "invalid carriage" in subsection one the words "weigh-on invalid ing not more than five hundredweight unladen".

(2) This section shall come into force on the first

15 day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-five.

3. (1) Section two of the principal Act is hereby Station wagons further amended by inserting in subsection one, after used for the definition of the terms "service" or "transport service", the following definition:
"'Station wagon' means a

Station wagon' means a motor vehicle which, fees as though designed principally for the carriage motor cars. of goods, has a permanently constructed

carriages.

private purposes liable for same annual licence

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body with two or more windows along each side and one or more rear doors and provides seating accommodation alongside and behind the driver comparable with that of a motor car, but so that the total number of persons (inclusive of the driver) that the vehicle is designed to carry does not exceed nine:".

(2) Section two of the principal Act is hereby further amended by inserting in subsection one, after the definition of the term "private motor car", the following 10

definition:

"'Private station wagon' means a station wagon that is used exclusively in one or more of the following ways:

> "(a) By any person for purposes of 15 pleasure or for private or domestic purposes,

but not for business purposes:

"Provided that for the purposes of this paragraph the term 'business purposes' does not include the carriage of any person to or 20 from his place of business or the place where he carries on his profession or calling:

"(b) In person by the owner (being an individual) for no business purpose other than his own carriage in relation to his 25 profession, business, or calling, so long as that profession, business, or calling is not that of a commercial traveller, insurance agent or inspector or assessor, land or estate agent, manufacturer's agent, stock agent, station 30 agent, or salesman:

"(c) By a medical practitioner for the

purposes of his profession:

f(d) By the owner (being a farmer), or by any person on his behalf, in connection 35 with the farming operations of the owner:

"(e) In connection with the work of any public or private hospital or charitable or benevolent or religious institution or trade union by or on behalf of the Board or 40 other authority controlling the hospital or institution or trade union: ".

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(3) The First Schedule to the principal Act (as substituted by subsection four of section four of the 1953, No. 116 Transport Amendment Act (No. 2) 1953) is hereby amended as follows:

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(a) By inserting in clause two, after the words "motor car", the words "or private station wagon ":

(b) By inserting in clause four, after the words "motor vehicle", the words "(not being a motor car or private station wagon)".

4. (1) Section two of the principal Act is hereby Registration further amended by inserting in subsection one, after the definition of the term "passenger service vehicle", power cycles. the following definition:

"'Power cycle' means a pedal bicycle or pedal tricycle that is fitted with a detachable motor attachment for alternative propulsion:".

(2) Section seventeen of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in paragraph (a) of subsection two 20 (as substituted by subsection one of section four of the Transport Amendment Act (No. 2) 1953), after the word "trailer", the words "or power cycle".

(3) The First Schedule to the principal Act (as substituted by subsection four of section four of the 1953, No. 116 25 Transport Amendment Act (No. 2) 1953) is hereby further amended by repealing clause one, and substituting the following clauses:

> "(1) For every motor cycle (not being € a power cycle) 0 0 ". "(1A) For every power cycle 1

5. Section thirty-one of the principal Act is hereby Penalty for amended by inserting in subsection six, after the words driving while "summary conviction", the words "to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or ".