New Parliament.

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

Legislative Council. 13th November, 1879.

Hon. Mr. Waterhouse.

Wellington Provincial District Highway Boards.

ANALYSIS.

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Short Title.
Election of Highway Boards.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to provide for Highway Board Elections in Title. the Provincial District of Wellington.

WHEREAS under "The Rating Act, 1876," it was provided that Preamble. VV all valuation rolls should be based upon the annual value of property: And whereas under "The Highways Act, 1874," of the Province of Wellington, the voting power of ratepayers for Highway 5 Boards within the Provincial District of Wellington is regulated by the value for sale of property: And whereas it is expedient to make other provision for regulating the voting at any such election, so that the same shall conform with the provisions of "The Counties Act, 1876 :"

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same,

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Wellington Provincial Short Title.

District Highway Boards Act, 1879."

2. Every ratepayer within the limits of any Highway District Election of Highway 15 within the Provincial District of Wellington shall be entitled to vote Boards. at every election of a member of a Highway Board for the ward in which he is enrolled, according to the following scale, that is to say,-

- (1.) If his rateable property, whether in one or more tenements, is valued on the valuation-roll at less than fifty pounds he shall have one vote;
 - (2.) If such property is valued at not less than fifty pounds but less than one hundred pounds, he shall have two votes;
 - (3.) If such property is valued at not less than one hundred pounds but less than one hundred and fifty pounds, he shall have three votes;
 - (4.) If such property is valued at not less than one hundred and fifty pounds but less than three hundred and fifty pounds, he shall have four votes;
 - (5.) If such property is valued at three hundred and fifty pounds and upwards, he shall have five votes.