

## **Tauranga District Lands Act 1867**

Citation: 31 V. No 46

**Date of Assent:** 10 October, 1867 **Commencement:** Date of Assent

Repeal: Repealed 1891, No 8

**Amendments:** 1868, No 35: Amends the Schedule of the Original Act to include

all the lands under dispute.

Type of Legislation: Public

**Subject:** Validation

Confiscated Lands

**Relevant Sections:** *Preamble* describes the confiscation of Ngaiterangi lands under

the New Zealand Settlements Act 1863, a promise by the Governor to set apart three quarters of that land for the tribe, and doubts about

the validity of an Order in Council and arrangements made.

s2: Grants of land described in Schedule validated and not to be called into question by reason of departures from the requirements

of the New Zealand Settlements Acts.

Schedule: Tauranga District.

**Commentary:** According to the preamble, when Ngaiterangi surrendered

they gave up all their lands in an agreement with the Governor, who said that he would return three-quarters to the tribe. The lands were taken under the New Zealand Settlements Act 1863 and three quarters of this land was subsequently set aside for the tribe by the Governor on 6 August, 1864. Various arrangements and contracts dealing with parts of the land had been entered into with the tribe,

and this Act was passed to validate these agreements.

Schedule contains descriptions of the lands.

The Amendment corrects an error in the definition of the boundaries

that was in the original Order in Council.

Note that while the Act says the land belonged to Ngaiterangi, other hapu in the area have claimed that the land belonged to them.



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**Cross Reference:** 

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(Reports Relative to Negotiations for Peace with the Ngaiterangi Tribe)

AJHR (1867) A - 20

(Papers Relative to Affairs at Tauranga)

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(Reports of Officers in Native Districts)

AJHR (1886) G - 10

(Land Returned to Ngaiterangi Tribe under...)

AJHR (1928) G - 7 pp.18 - 19

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