



Native Lands Act Amendment Act 1868

- Citation:** 32 V. No 55
- Date of Assent:** 20 October, 1868
- Commencement:** Date of Assent
- Repeal:** 1 January, 1874 by 1873, No 56 except:
i) duties on alienation, repealed 1 January, 1874 by 1873, No 57
- Amendments:** –
- Type of Legislation:** Public
- Subject:** Maori Land Court: Structures & Jurisdiction
Leased Land
- Relevant Sections:** *Preamble:* Refers to s55 Native Lands Act 1865 that on first disposal by lease of Native land or hereditaments, an amount was payable to the Crown and refers to s24 Native Lands Act 1867 which mentions the doubts about such duty and allowed payment of the duty over the term of the lease.
s2: Duty on leases of 7 years or more where rent is less than £10 per year.
s3: Native Land Court Judges may amend defects or errors in any proceeding of the Court so as to determine the real question in controversy.
- Commentary:** The changes in relation to duty on leases were made in response to the situation on the Thames gold field where land was being leased in small subdivisions which meant that the cost of collecting the 10% duty would have been more than the duty itself. Section 3 enables appeals or rehearings to be heard immediately before the Native Land Court rather than through Supreme Court proceedings.
- Cross Reference:** NZPD vol 4 (1868) 229 - 231, 331 - 332.