

**RAILWAYS
AUTHORIZATION.**

AN ACT to authorize the Construction of certain Railways.

[23rd September, 1881.]

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

Short Title.

1. The Short Title of this Act is “The Railways Authorization Act, 1881.”

Power for the Governor on behalf of the Crown to enter into contracts for railways in Schedule.

2. The Governor may, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, enter into contracts for the construction of the railways mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

How cost to be defrayed.

3. The cost of constructing such railways shall be borne and paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose by the General Assembly, but subject to the special provision affecting the railways hereinafter mentioned.

Cost of the branch railway to Fernhill Colliery to be first paid to the colony.

4. The construction of the branch line of railway from the main line of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to the Fernhill Colliery, shall be contingent upon the estimated cost of such railway being first paid to the Government of the colony.

Governor not to enter into contracts till such payment is made.

Before entering into any contract for the construction of such railway, the Governor shall be satisfied that the whole of the estimated cost of the construction and completion of such railway has been paid to the Public Account by the Fernhill Colliery Company.

5. This Act shall be deemed to be a special Act authorizing the construction of the railways mentioned in the said Schedule, within the meaning and for the purposes of "The Public Works Act, 1876," which said Act, so far as applicable, is hereby incorporated with this Act.

Act to be deemed a special Act.

SCHEDULE.

Schedule.

LINES OF RAILWAY.

1. From the Town of Hamilton to the Town of Cambridge, District of Waikato.
 2. From the main line of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to the Fernhill Colliery, at Chain Hills.
 3. From the main line of the Waitaki-Bluff Railway to Oteramika and Toitois.
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