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NEW ZEALAND

LOCAL BILLS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE)

(MR. D. W. COLEMAN, CHAIRMAN)

Laid on the Table of the House of Representatives

ORDERS OF REFERENCE

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives

WEDNESDAY, THE 16TH DAY OF JULY, 1947

Ordered, "That a select Committee be appointed, consisting of nine members, to whom all Local Bills shall stand referred after the first reading; the Committee to report whether the Standing Orders have been complied with, whether the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are in any way affected by the provisions of the Bills, and to recommend such amendments as it may think proper, and to report, when necessary, on the merits of the Bills: the Committee to have power to confer with any Committee appointed for a similar object by the Legislative Council: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Macfarlane, Mr. Massey, Mr. Neale, Mr. Shent, Mr. Smith, and the Mover."—(Hon. Mr. PARRY.)

Ordered, "That all petitions not finally dealt with during the session of 1946 be again referred to the same Committees as they were referred to during the said session."—(Right Hon. Mr. FRASER.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1947

Ordered, "That, with respect to the Wellington City and Suburban Water-supply Amendment Bill, Standing Order 366 be suspended in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed."—(Mr. BOWDEN.)

Ordered, "That, with respect to the Dunedin District Drainage and Sewerage Amendment Bill, Standing Order 366 be suspended in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed."—(Mr. CONNOLLY.)

THURSDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF AUGUST, 1947

Ordered, "That, with respect to the Central Waikato Electric-power Board Empowering Bill, Standing Order 366 be suspended in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, and that the Bill be allowed to be introduced and to proceed."—(Mrs. ROSS.)

THURSDAY, THE 9TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1947

Ordered, "That, with respect to the Riverton Borough Empowering Bill, the Standing Orders relating to Local Bills be suspended so far as to allow the Bill to be introduced and to be proceeded with as a Local Bill, notwithstanding that the requirements of Standing Orders 361 and 366 have not been complied with in that notice of the Bill was not published within the time prescribed, and that the Bill is being introduced later than forty-two days after the commencement of the session."—(Mr. T. L. MACDONALD.)

TUESDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1947

Ordered, "That, with respect to the Ohai Railway Board Amendment Bill, the Standing Orders relating to Local Bills be suspended so far as to allow the Bill to be introduced and to be proceeded with as a Local Bill, notwithstanding that the requirements of Standing Orders 351 and 366 have not been complied with in that notice of the Bill was not published within the time prescribed, and that the Bill is being introduced later than forty-two days after the commencement of the session."—(Mr. T. L. MACDONALD.)

Ordered, "That the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Bill be referred to the Local Bills Committee."—(Hon. Mr. PARRY.)

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REPORTS

REPORO A DRAINAGE BOARD EMPOWERING BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

23rd July, 1947.

AUCKLAND CENTENNIAL MEMORIAL PARK AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

30th July, 1947.

CANTERBURY MUSEUM TRUST BOARD BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are affected, in that the present museum-site is a public reserve subject to the provisions of Part I of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

14th August, 1947.

PAEROA BOROUGH WATER-SUPPLY EMPOWERING BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are affected, in that the Bill authorizes the laying of mains and pipes over land vested in the Crown, the said land being provisional State forest, railway lands, and roads, and possibly also land which is vested in the Crown and subject to a lease by the Crown.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

22nd August, 1947.

AUCKLAND METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

27th August, 1947.

RICCARTON BUSH AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

4th September, 1947.

DUNEDIN DISTRICT DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with, with the exception of Standing Order 366, which, in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which Local Bills may be introduced, was suspended by the House to enable the Bill to be introduced and to proceed.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

10th September, 1947.

WELLINGTON CITY AND SUBURBAN WATER-SUPPLY AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with, with the exception of Standing Order 366, which, in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which local Bills may be introduced, was suspended by the House to enable the Bill to be introduced and to proceed.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are affected in that, under the Wellington City and Suburban Water-supply Act, 1927, certain large areas of land which were vested by the Crown in the Wellington City Corporation in trust may be deemed to be public reserves.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.
- (5) That the Committee further recommends that section 32 of the principal Act, as amended by section 2 of the Wellington City and Suburban Water-supply Amendment Act, 1929, be amended by the addition to the Bill of the following new subsection (5) to clause 16 :—

(5) The Board may require any local authority which is not a contributory local authority on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and which receives water from any portion of the Wellington Metropolitan Area by virtue of an agreement with the Minister or otherwise howsoever to pay to the General Account to cover expenditure on any water-collector area such amounts as the Board and the local authority concerned agree upon or, in default of agreement, as may be determined by the Minister.

(NOTE.—The subsection quoted above is, in the opinion of the Committee, not within the objects which the Bill as originally brought in was intended to effect, but as it has been agreed to by the representatives of all the local authorities affected, the Committee considers that the honourable member in charge of the Bill may reasonably ask for the suspension of Standing Order 370 under the procedure set out in paragraph (2) of that Standing Order.

24th September, 1947.

CENTRAL WAIKATO ELECTRIC-POWER BOARD EMPOWERING BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with, with the exception of Standing Order 366, which, in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which local Bills may be introduced, was suspended by the House to enable the Bill to be introduced and to proceed.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

5th October, 1947.

LOCAL ELECTIONS AND POLLS AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and taken evidence thereon, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

22nd October, 1947.

No. 34/1946.—Petition of G. W. DELL and Others, of Christchurch

PRAYING for an amendment to the present system of rating in Christchurch for drainage purposes.

I am directed to report that the petition is one which in ordinary circumstances the Committee would have recommended to the Government for favourable consideration, but that, in view of the implications arising out of the subject-matter contained therein, the Committee considers that the petition should be referred by the Government to the Local Government Commission for urgent consideration and recommendation.

23rd October, 1947.

RIVERTON BOROUGH EMPOWERING BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with, except in the following respects, but were suspended in these respects by the House to enable the Bill to be introduced and to proceed :—
 - (a) Standing Order 361 was not complied with, in that notice of intention to introduce the Bill was not published within the prescribed time; and
 - (b) Standing Order 366 was not complied with in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which local Bills may be introduced.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

30th October, 1947.

OHAI RAILWAY BOARD AMENDMENT BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report :—

- (1) That it is a Local Bill.
- (2) That the Standing Orders have been complied with, except in the following respects, but were suspended by the House in these respects to enable the Bill to be introduced and to proceed :—
 - (a) Standing Order 361 was not complied with, in that notice of intention to introduce the Bill was not published within the prescribed time ; and
 - (b) Standing Order 366 was not complied with in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which local Bills may be introduced.
- (3) That the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected.
- (4) That the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

30th October, 1947.

LOCAL LEGISLATION BILL

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and taken evidence thereon, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

D. W. COLEMAN, Chairman.

19th November, 1947.

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