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Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 27 March, 1866. 5

CHA. TOMPSON, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

New South Wales.



ANNO VICESIMO NONO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No.

An Act to amend the Municipalities Act of 1858.

WHEREAS difficulties have arisen in carrying out certain pro- Preamble. visions of the Municipalties Act of 1858 and certain Municipalities created under that Act have in consequence of such difficulties for some time past remained in abeyance And whereas it 5 is expedient without delay to remove such difficulties and to amend the said Act Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. The word "Councillor" shall include and mean Alderman as Interpretation well as Councillor and the word "Chairman" shall include and mean clause.

Mayor as well as Chairman.

2. In all cases where the Governor shall by Proclamation Governor may issue published after any Municipality shall have been constituted have Proclamation for election where Councilided such Municipality into Wards and such Municipality shall by cil in abeyance by reason of such division have become unable to perform its functions reason of division and to fill vacancies occasioned by the retirement of Councillors elected cipality after conbefore such division it shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council by Proclamation to be published in the New of the Executive Council by Proclamation to be published in the New 20 South Wales Government Gazette to appoint a Returning Officer for

such Municipality and to direct that on a day to be named therein there shall be an election of three Councillors for each Ward of such Municipality and on the day so named such Returning Officer shall preside at 290 -

a meeting of electors to be holden at noon at the Court House or Town Hall or some other place to be fixed by such Returning Officer for the purpose by notice to be published in the Government Gazette one week before the meeting and at such meeting any elector may nominate 5 any other elector as a candidate for election as Councillor for any Ward.

3. If at such meeting no more candidates be nominated than Nomination of three for each Ward the Returning Officer shall declare the candidates so nominated duly elected and in the event of there being more candi-

10 dates nominated than three for each Ward the Returning Officer shall call for a show of hands for the candidates for each Ward separately and shall thereupon declare upon which candidates the election has fallen and such candidates shall be elected accordingly unless a poll be demanded by any candidate or by any four electors on his behalf in 15 which case an election by ballot shall be holden after the interval at

the times and in the manner in the said Act provided.

4. The various provisions of the said Act relating to Councillors Former Act to apply shall apply in all respects to the Councillors elected under this Act in

the same way as if they had been elected under the said Act.

5. The Councillors of any Council elected under this or the Election of Chairsaid recited Act shall at noon on the day following their election meet man. at the place of nomination to elect their Chairman and it shall be competent for such of the Councillors as may then be in attendance to proceed to such election although the whole number of Councillors 25 may not be present and such Chairman shall be elected by a majority

of the Councillors who shall be present and take part in such election. 6. The various provisions of the said Act shall apply in all Former Act to apply respects to the Chairman elected under this Act in the same way as if

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7. On the publication of any Proclamation as aforesaid on Proclamation appointing a Returning Officer and directing an election of Coun-being published old Councillors to retire. 30 cillors in any Municipality the Councillors whose term of office may not at that time have expired shall cease to be Councillors of such Municipality.

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40 perty due or belonging to such Municipality or to the Council thereof.

9. The electors of each Municipality now or hereafter to be Electors. constituted shall be the persons named in the Electoral Roll for the Legislative Assembly which applies to or includes such Municipality and whose qualifications as described in the said roll shall be within

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10. In all cases where a Municipality shall have been divided Election in cases of 50 by the Council thereof into Wards it shall be lawful for such Council into Wards. to make by-laws for regulating the election to vacancies caused by the retirement of Councillors elected before such division.

11. In all cases where no election of Councillors shall have Governor may issue taken place in any Municipality within the time or at the times election when 55 appointed by law for that purpose and such Municipality shall be elections have not entirely without a Council it shall be lawful for the Governor with time. the advice of the Executive Council by Proclamation to be published in the New South Wales Government Gazette to appoint a Returning Officer for such Municipality and to direct on a day to be named therein

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12. It shall be lawful for the electors in any of the cases falling Election of Auditors. within the second or eleventh sections of this Act on the day to be appointed for the election of Councillors as therein mentioned to elect Auditors if no Auditors shall then be in office in the manner provided

15 by the said herein recited Act.

13. All and each of the Municipalities following:—Albury Existing Municipalities Balmain Bathurst Camperdown Central Illawarra Cook palities declared Cudgegong Darlington East Maitland East St. Leonard's Glebe Goulburn Grafton Hunter's Hill Kiama Marrickville Mudgee New-20 castle Newtown North Willoughby Orange Paddington Parramatta Randwick Redfern Shellharbour Waterloo Waverley West Maitland Wollongong and Woollahra are hereby declared to have been and to be legally constituted and incorporated under the provisions of the said hereinbefore recited Act Provided that nothing herein shall be 25 held to apply to or affect any existing suit or action.

14. Every entry in the minute book purporting to be a minute Minute book to be of the business transacted at any meeting of the Council and signed evidence. by the Chairman or other presiding Councillor at the next meeting of

such Council which shall have been holden after such first named 30 meeting shall be prima facie evidence that such business as is therein recorded was transacted at such meeting without proof of the meeting to which the same shall refer having been duly convened or held or of the persons attending such meeting having been or being Councillors or of the signature of the Chairman or other presiding Councillor or 35 of the fact of such Chairman or presiding Councillor having been or

being such Chairman or Councillor.

15. This Act shall be styled and may be cited as the "Muni-Short title cipalites Act Amendment Act of 1866."

MUNICIPALITIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipalities Act of 1858," returned to the Legislative Assembly with Message of 3rd April, 1866.

R. O'CONNOR, Clerk of the Parliaments.

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Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 27 March, 1866.

CHA. TOMPSON, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with an Amendment.

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