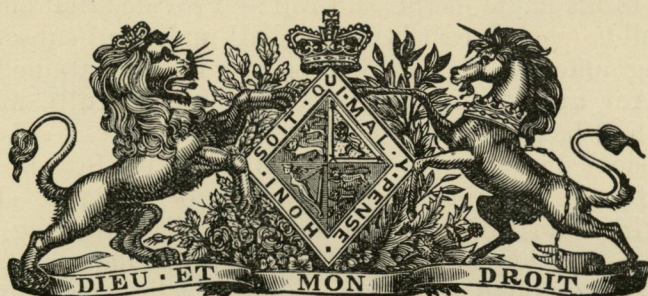


*This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.*

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,  
Sydney, 16 June, 1897. }*

F. W. WEBB,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

## New South Wales.



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No. .

An Act to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.

**B**E it 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:—

5       1. Between the twenty-first day of December and the seventh day of January, both inclusive, in each and every year, instead of the list prescribed by section fifty-four of the Municipalities Act of 1867, hereinafter called the Principal Act, the council clerk of every municipality shall make or cause to be made out a list of all persons  
10 qualified, as hereinafter provided, in each municipality, and where the same is divided into wards, in each ward of such municipality, to vote at elections of aldermen and auditors of each municipality. Such lists shall comprise the names of every person (whether male or female) who shall, at the time of making out the said lists, be of  
15 the full age of twenty-one years, and who shall then be, and for the immediately preceding six months shall have been, the occupier of premises in that municipality or ward thereof for which any such list is being made out, and shall also comprise the names of all owners, whether males or females, of premises within every such  
20 municipality or ward: Provided that no name of any person shall be inserted in any such list separately as owner and occupier for the same premises.

Council clerk to furnish list of persons qualified to vote at elections of aldermen and auditors.

*Municipalities Act Amendment.*

2. The said lists shall contain the names and qualifications of all persons qualified as aforesaid, alphabetically arranged according to the form in the Schedule A hereto. How lists to be made out.

3. Every council clerk shall, from the receipts for rates paid to the seventh day of January of each year, ascertain the persons who shall have actually paid such rates, and shall in such lists place opposite to the names of the respective persons who shall have actually paid such rates the number of votes to which, under the fifty-second section of the Principal Act, such persons are entitled; and all persons named in the electors' rolls, other than the persons who shall have actually paid such rates as aforesaid, shall be entitled to one vote, if at the time of voting any such person has still the same qualification mentioned opposite to his name in the said roll: Provided that before any such person shall be permitted to vote he shall make and subscribe before the presiding officer a declaration in the form contained in Schedule B to this Act, and any such person who shall wilfully make a false declaration shall be guilty of a misdemeanour. Provision for ascertaining cumulative votes. Who to have only one vote.

4. The provisions of section one hundred and fifty-three of the Principal Act, as to the making and enforcing of by-laws, shall extend to the making and enforcing of by-laws for collecting, by means of house to house visitation or otherwise, the names of all persons entitled to be enrolled on the municipal rolls pursuant to this Act. As to by-laws to facilitate collection of voters names.

5. This Act may be cited as the "Municipalities Act Amendment Act, 1897," and upon the passing thereof, so much of the Principal Act as provides for the mode in which lists shall be prepared, and is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, shall be repealed. For the purposes of this Act the word "female" includes any married woman. Short title, repeal, and interpretation.

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SCHEDULES.

SCHEDULE A.

Municipality or Ward.

LIST of electors for the year

Number in rate book.	Number.	Christian and surname and residence.	Nature of qualification.	Number of votes.

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SCHEDULE B.

*Voter's Declaration.*

Voter's Number [     ].  
 I, *A.B.*, do hereby solemnly declare that I am the person named in the municipal roll of electors now in force for the municipality of [     ] [or for ward], my name being numbered therein as in the margin hereto, that I have not already voted in this ward at this election, and that I have still the qualification mentioned in the said roll.

Made and subscribed before me, } *A.B.*  
 this     day of     }  
 45     *C.D.*, Presiding Officer.