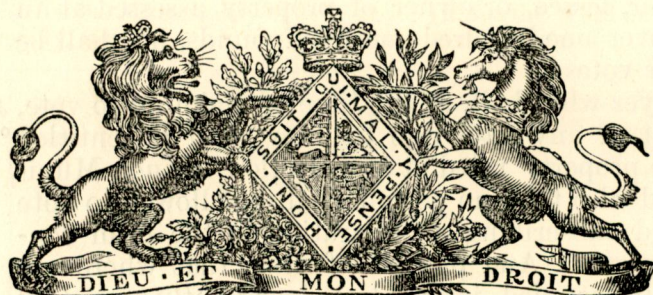


This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 20 November, 1895. }

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."

WHEREAS it is desirable to amend and extend the provisions of Preamble.
the "Municipalities Act of 1867" in certain particulars: Be
it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and
with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative
5 Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the
authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Municipalities Act of 1867" Short title, &c.
Amendment Act of 1895," and shall be read with and as forming
part of the "Municipalities Act of 1867," hereinafter termed the
10 Principal Act.

2. Section fifty-two, and Schedules C, D, E, G, and I of the Section and Sched-
ules repealed.
Principal Act are hereby repealed, and section three, and Schedules A,
B, C, D, and E of this Act substituted for, and are to be read in place
of the said repealed section and Schedules.

3. Every person of the full age of twenty-one years who on the Ratepayer electors.
seventh day of January in any year shall be the occupier, lessee, or
owner of any ratable property within any Municipality, and shall have
paid rates for the same to the Council for the current half-year (herein-
after styled the "Ratepayer"), shall be entitled to be enrolled, according
to

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to the provisions of this Act and of the Principal Act, upon the municipal roll of the Municipality for the ensuing municipal year, and being so enrolled shall be an elector thereof, and shall be entitled, subject as hereinafter mentioned, to vote in all elections of Aldermen and
5 Auditors for the Municipality occurring whilst such municipal roll shall be in force, in the manner following:—

- (I) If the occupier, lessee, or owner of property assessed at an annual value not exceeding twenty-five pounds, he shall be entitled to one vote : Cumulative votes.
- 10 (II) If the occupier, lessee, or owner of property assessed at an annual value over twenty-five and not exceeding seventy-five pounds, he shall be entitled to two votes :
- (III) If the occupier, lessee, or owner of property assessed at an annual value over seventy-five and not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds, he shall be entitled to three votes :
- 15 (IV) If the occupier, lessee, or owner of property assessed at an annual value over one hundred and fifty pounds, he shall be entitled to four votes :

Provided that no ratepayer who shall, at the time of claiming to vote,
20 be in arrear on account of any rates due by him shall be entitled to vote in respect of the property rated at any election in such Municipality : And provided also that no person shall be allowed to vote without first making and subscribing a declaration in the form contained in Schedule A hereto : And provided further that where any
25 ratable property is jointly occupied, jointly leased, or jointly owned by more persons than one, only one of such joint occupiers, joint lessees, or joint owners shall be a "ratepayer" elector as aforesaid, unless the assessed annual value of such ratable property so jointly occupied, leased, or owned as aforesaid shall exceed twenty-five pounds, in which
30 case a second joint occupier, joint lessee, or joint owner shall be admissible as a "ratepayer" elector; and if the assessed annual value of such ratable property shall exceed seventy-five pounds, then a third joint occupier, joint lessee, or joint owner, if there be one, shall be admissible as a "ratepayer" elector; and if the assessed annual value
35 exceed one hundred and fifty pounds, then a fourth joint occupier, joint lessee, or owner, if there be one, shall be admissible as a "ratepayer" elector. And the person or persons so admissible as aforesaid in cases of joint occupancy, joint lease, or joint ownership shall be the person or persons first named in the ratebook; and the giving
40 of any joint or cumulative vote by such person or persons shall render any other person claiming to vote in respect to the same ratable property incapable of giving a vote in that election; but this provision shall not affect the right of any non-ratepayer elector, as hereafter defined, to vote in respect of the same property.

45 4. Every person of the full age of twenty-one years, who on the seventh day of January in any year shall be the occupier, lessee, or owner (other than the actual "ratepayer") of any ratable property within any Municipality (for the purposes of this Act styled the "non-ratepayer") shall be entitled to be enrolled according to the
50 provisions of this Act and of the Principal Act, upon the municipal roll of the Municipality for the ensuing municipal year, and being so enrolled shall be an elector thereof, and shall be entitled to one vote, in addition to the vote or votes to which the "ratepayer" is entitled : Provided that no lessee shall be entitled to a vote as a "non-ratepayer"
55 in respect of any property, the lease of which has a currency of less than five years, nor shall any owner be entitled to a vote in respect of any property for which he has granted or contracted to grant a lease having a currency of fifty years and upwards, nor shall any "non-ratepayer" be entitled to votes in respect of more than four properties.

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SCHEDULES.

SCHEDULE A.

Voter's Declaration.

Voter's Number—

5 I, A.B., do hereby solemnly declare that I am the person named in the Municipal Roll now in force for the Municipality of (or for ward), my name being numbered therein as in the margin hereto, and that I have not already voted at this election (or in this ward), and that I have still the qualification mentioned in the said Roll.

10 SCHEDULE B.

MUNICIPAL List for the Municipality of (if for the Ward of a Municipality, for the Ward of the Municipality of).

15	Surname of person supposed to be entitled to vote.	Christian name of same person.	Residence.	Whether occupier, lessee, or owner.	Whether ratepayer or non-ratepayer.	Description and situation of property giving title to vote.	Value at which property is assessed.	Number of votes. 1

(Signed) A.B.,
Council Clerk.

(Date)

20 SCHEDULE C.

To the Council Clerk of the Municipality of

I HEREBY give you notice that I claim to have my name inserted in the Municipal List of the Municipality of (or if the Municipality be divided into Wards say for the Ward of the Municipality of) in virtue of

25 my qualification as under namely (Here state accurately the description and situation of the ratable property in respect of which the right to vote is claimed that the claimant is liable to be rated for the same as owner or occupier as the case may be; the value of which the property is assessed to the last rate, or if not so assessed, is valued by the claimant, or that he is a non-ratepayer entitled to vote.)

30 Dated this day of 18 .
A.B. (Christian Name and Surname in full.)
of (State residence.)

SCHEDULE D.

35 List of persons having claimed to have their names inserted in the Municipal List for the Municipality of (or if the Municipality be divided into Wards say) Ward for the Municipality of

40	Surname.	Christian name.	Residence.	Whether occupier, lessee, or owner.	Whether ratepayer or non-ratepayer.	Description and situation of property giving title to vote.	Value at which property is assessed.	Number of votes.

(Signed) C.D.,
Council Clerk.

(Date)

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SCHEDULE E.

MUNICIPAL Roll for the Municipality of _____ (or if the Municipality be divided into Wards) or the Ward of the Municipality of _____ for the year ending _____

5 No.	Voter's surname.	Voter's Christian name.	Whether occupier, lessee, or owner.	Whether ratepayer or non-ratepayer.	Description and situation of ratable property.	Number of votes

(Signed) E.F.,
Council Clerk.

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