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, 27 June, 1900.

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

New South Wales.



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Act No. , 1900.

An Act to provide for the election of aldermen and auditors for any municipality.

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:

1. Section fifty-five of the Municipalities Act, 1897, is hereby Repeal.

repealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted as follows:-

Every person of the full age of twenty-one years who, on Electors. the seventh day of January in any year, is the occupier, lessee, or owner of any ratable property within any municipality, or liable to 10 be rated for the same as such occupier, lessee, or owner, shall be entitled to be enrolled upon the municipal roll of the municipality for the ensuing municipal year, and being so enrolled shall be an elector 92thereof

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thereof, and shall be entitled, subject as hereinafter mentioned, to vote in all elections of aldermen and auditors for the municipality occurring whilst such municipal roll is in force:

Provided that no person shall be entitled to more than one vote

5 at any such election:

Provided also that only the person who pays the rates for such ratable property shall be entitled to vote in respect thereof, and no person who is at the time of claiming to vote in arrears on account of any such rates shall be entitled to vote in respect of the property rated 10 at any election in such municipality:

Provided further that no person shall be allowed to vote without first making and subscribing a declaration in the form contained in

the Ninth Schedule to the Municipalities Act, 1897.

Ninth Schedule.

Provided further that where any ratable property is jointly Joint occupiers and 15 occupied, jointly leased, or jointly owned by more persons than one, owners. only the person first-named in the rate-book shall be admissible to vote as an elector, and the giving of any vote by such person shall render any other person claiming to vote in respect of the same ratable property incapable of giving a vote at that election.

2. All references in the Municipalities Act, 1897, to the provi-Reference to section 55 sions contained in section fifty-five of that Act shall be deemed to be be deemed references to section 1 of this Act.

references to the provisions contained in section one of this Act.

3. This Act may be cited as the "Municipalities (Election) short title, Act, 1900."