

Legislative Council.

No. , 1898.

A BILL

To amend the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879 by providing for the election of the Mayor by the citizens, and for the triennial retirement and election of Aldermen.

[MR. HUGHES ;—21 *September*, 1898.]

BE 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. This Act may be cited as the "Sydney Corporation Act Short title.
Amendment Act of 1898."

2. Sections six, sixteen, twenty, and thirty-three of the Sydney Repeal.
Corporation Act of 1879 are hereby repealed.

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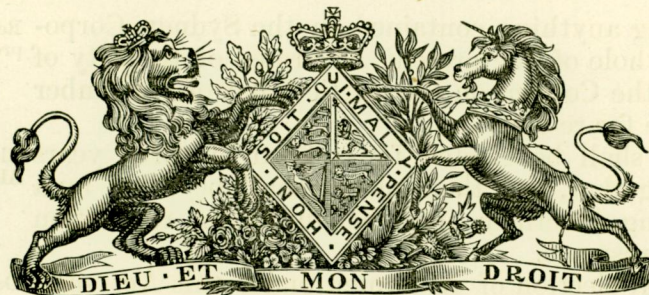
- Municipal Council.** **3.** On and after the first day of December next, the Municipal Council of the City of Sydney (hereinafter termed the Council) shall consist of the Mayor and Aldermen elected as hereinafter provided. There shall be three Aldermen for each ward. Any citizen capable of voting for the election of Aldermen, and not disqualified under the provisions of the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879, shall be eligible for election as Mayor or Alderman. 5
- Election of Mayor.** **4.** On the first day of December in each year, the citizens shall elect one of their number to be Mayor of the City for the following year. The Mayor shall enter into office on the first day of January next following his election, and shall hold office until the thirty-first day of December following, and shall be eligible for re-election if still qualified. The provisions and qualifications contained in the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879, relating to the nomination and election of Auditors, shall be applicable to the nomination and election of Mayor. 10
- Retirement of present Aldermen.** **5.** Notwithstanding anything contained in the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879, the whole of the present Aldermen of the City of Sydney shall retire from the Council on the thirtieth day of November next, but shall be eligible for re-election. 20
- Election of Aldermen.** **6.** The Aldermen shall be elected for a term of three years and shall then retire together, and their places shall be filled by a new election. The retiring Aldermen shall be eligible for re-election if still qualified in other respects.
- Date of elections.** **7.** The first general election of Aldermen under this Act shall be held on the first day of December next, and subsequent general elections every third year thereafter. The Mayor, or if he be a candidate for election, the Town Clerk shall be Returning Officer at all elections. 25
- Returning Officer.**
- Presiding Officers.** **8.** Every election for Mayor or Aldermen shall be held before such citizens as Presiding Officers as the Returning Officer shall in writing under his hand appoint. If any such officer be prevented from attending by unavoidable accident a substitute, with like powers, may be appointed in his place. 30
- Mode of voting.** **9.** At every election of Aldermen every voter shall vote for the full number of Aldermen to be elected for the ward, otherwise the vote shall be rejected as informal. 35

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

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 20th October, 1898.* }

JOHN J. CALVERT,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

New South Wales.



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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

Act No. , 1898.

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BE 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. This Act may be cited as the "Sydney Corporation Act Short title. Amendment Act of 1898."

2. Sections six, sixteen, twenty, and thirty-three of the Sydney Repeal Corporation Act of 1879 are hereby repealed.

Sydney Corporation Act Amendment.

3. On and after the first day of December next, the Municipal Council of the City of Sydney (hereinafter termed the Council) shall consist of the Mayor and Aldermen elected as hereinafter provided. There shall be three Aldermen for each ward. Any citizen capable of voting for the election of Aldermen, and not disqualified under the provisions of the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879, shall be eligible for election as Alderman. Municipal Council.
4. At noon on the ninth day of December in each year the Aldermen shall assemble at the Town Hall for the purpose of electing a Mayor of the City for the forthcoming year. The Mayor shall be a fit person elected from the Aldermen or persons qualified to be such. The Mayor shall enter into office on the first day of January next following his election, and shall hold office until the thirty-first day of December following, and shall be eligible for re-election if still qualified. Election of Mayor.
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