1944 NEW ZEALAND

LANDS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE)

(MR. E. P. MEACHEN, CHAIRMAN)

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ORDERS OF REFERENCE

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives

THURSDAY, THE 16TH DAY OF MARCH, 1944

Ordered, "That for the remainder of the session all Select Committees of the House have leave to sit on days on which the House is not sitting."—(Right Hon. Mr. FRASER.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 22ND DAY OF MARCH, 1944

Ordered, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to whom shall stand referred, after the first reading, all Bills affecting or in any way relating to the lands of the Crown, or education or other public reserves; the Committee to have power to recommend such amendments therein as it thinks proper, and to report generally, when necessary, upon the principles and provisions of the Bills: the Committee to consist of Mr. Corbett, Mr. Coulter, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Gerard, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Langstone, Mr. Meachen, Mr. Williams, and the Mover."—(Hon. Mr. Skinner.)

THURSDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1944

Ordered, "That Paper No. 202 (notice of intention to issue an Order in Council changing the purpose of portions of a reserve in the Borough of Timaru, Canterbury Land District) be referred to the Lands Committee for consideration."—(Hon. Mr. SKINNER.)

Ordered, "That the petition of the South Canterbury Council of Sport and others be referred direct to the Lands Committee."—(Rev. CLYDE CARR.)

Memoranda for the Chairman of the Lands Committee:-

The Bill intituled the Lower Hutt City Empowering and Vesting Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (21st August, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (1st September, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the North Shore Boroughs (Auckland) Water Conservation Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (1st September, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Auckland Harbour Board Empowering Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (20th September, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (20th September, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, having been read a first time in the House of Representatives on the 21st November, 1944, stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (21st November, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Local Legislation Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (23rd November, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Christchurch Hospital Amendment Act stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (23rd November, 1944.)

The Bill intituled the Land Laws Amendment Act, having been read a first time in the House of Representatives on the 12th December, 1944, stands referred to the Lands Committee for report. (12th December, 1944.)

REPORTS

No. 1.—Petition of L. G. Kelly, of Avon Road, Clifton, South Invercargill

Praying for compensation for loss in area of a section of land.

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered this petition, and recommends that it be referred to the Government for favourable consideration. 7th August, 1944.

LOWER HUTT CITY EMPOWERING AND VESTING BILL

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Lower Hutt City Empowering and Vesting Bill, and recommends, in so far as it affects the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th September, 1944.

OTAGO HARBOUR BOARD EMPOWERING BILL

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

(Note.—The rights and prerogatives of the Crown will not be affected if the amendment to clause 6 recommended by the Local Bills Committee is agreed to by the House; and the Lands Committee endorses that recommendation.)

12th September, 1944.

NORTH SHORE BOROUGHS (AUCKLAND) WATER CONSERVATION BILL

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the North Shore Boroughs (Auckland) Water Conservation Bill, and recommends, in so far as it affects the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th September, 1944.

Auckland Harbour Board Empowering Bill

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Auckland Harbour Board Empowering Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

(Note.—The rights and prerogatives of the Crown will not be affected if the amendment to clause 6 recommended by the Local Bills Committee is agreed to by the House. The Lands Committee endorses that recommendation.)

27th September, 1944.

Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Bill

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has earefully considered the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Bill, and recommends that the Bill, so far as it affects the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, and with the amendment shown on the copy of the Bill attached hereto, be allowed to proceed. 27th September, 1944.

Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Bill, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

23rd November, 1944.

LOCAL LEGISLATION BILL

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Local Legislation Bill, and recommends that, so far as it affects reserves or the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, it be allowed to proceed with amendment as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

24th November, 1944.

CHRISTCHURCH HOSPITAL AMENDMENT BILL

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Christchurch Hospital Amendment Bill and taken evidence thereon, and recommends that, so far as it affects the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, it be allowed to proceed, without amendment.

28th November, 1944.

No. 35,--Petition of C. Scott, of Te Aroha

Praying for revocation of an order dispossessing him of portion of a grazing lease. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 28th November, 1944.

Parliamentary Paper No. 202 (Notice of Intention to Issue an Order in Council changing the Purpose of Portions of a Reserve in the Borough of Timaru, Canterbury Land District)

I have the honour to report that, after hearing evidence, the Lands Committee recommends that the proposed change of purpose of portions of a reserve in the Borough of Timaru, as set out in parliamentary paper No. 202, be not approved.

7th December, 1944.

Petition of the South Canterbury Council of Sport and Others, of Timaru

Praying that the proposal to alienate a portion of Timaru Park be not proceeded with.

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered this petition, and recommends that it be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

7th December, 1944.

LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Land Laws Amendment Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

13th December, 1944.

E. P. Meachen, Chairman.

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