

REPORTS.

SWAMP DRAINAGE AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered same, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

2nd August, 1922.

LAND DRAINAGE AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered same, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

2nd August, 1922.

ROTORUA BOROUGH BILL.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered same, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment, with the exception of clause 11, which in the opinion of the Committee should be referred to the Native Affairs Committee.

2nd August, 1922.

CHRISTCHURCH MUNICIPAL OFFICES LEASING BILL.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that the said Bill has been carefully considered, and the Committee recommends that it be allowed to proceed as amended by the Local Bills Committee.

9th August, 1922.

No. 181.—Petition of TIMOTHY MORIARTY, of Stillwater.

PRAYING for redress for loss incurred in connection with title to certain land at Stillwater.

I have the honour to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

9th August, 1922.

AUCKLAND CITY AND AUCKLAND HOSPITAL BOARD EMPOWERING BILL.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that the said Bill has been carefully considered, and the Committee recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with amendment as shown on the copy of the Bill attached hereto.

8th September, 1922.

No. 57.—Petition of A. J. WHITESIDE and 30 Others, of Thames.

PRAYING that valuations in connection with the acquiring of freehold of lands in Hauraki Plains district be placed on a different basis.

I am directed to report that, as a question of policy is involved, the Committee has no recommendation to make, but desires to draw the attention of the Government to the desirability of amending the regulation which restricts the period which must elapse before a fresh application for valuation can be made.

8th September, 1922.

No. 152.—Petition of JOHN STEEL and 10 Others.

PRAYING for legislation to enable the acquisition of freehold of national-endowment lands in Rotorua and Tauranga Counties.

I am directed to report that, as a question of policy is involved, the Committee has no recommendation to make, but the Committee desires to record its sympathy with the prayer of the petitioners, to whom the option of the freehold is of vital importance.

8th September, 1922.

HAURAKI PLAINS AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has carefully considered the same, and I am directed to report the said Bill without amendment. In the opinion of the Committee the Bill should be referred to the Local Bills Committee.

8th September, 1922.