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Title.

AN ACT to amend the Laws relating to Natives and Native Land, to adjust certain Claims and Disputes in relation to Native Land, to confer Jurisdiction upon the Native Land Court and the Native Appellate Court, and for other Purposes.

[22nd December, 1933.]

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Native Purposes Act, 1933.

2. Words and expressions used in this Act shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the same meaning as in the Native Land Act, 1931 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), and the provisions of the principal Act so far as applicable shall extend and apply to the cases provided for by this Act in as full and ample a manner as if this Act had been incorporated with and formed part of the principal Act.

Provisions of Native Land Act, 1931, to apply to this Act.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VI, p. 103

PART I.

AMENDMENT OF LAWS.

3. Section three of the West Coast Settlement Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1902, is hereby amended as from the passing thereof by inserting, after the words "The Native Reserves Act, 1882," therein, the words "and be deemed to be reserves within the meaning of the West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892".

Certain lands deemed to be reserves under West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section twenty-six of the Maori Councils Act, 1900, the moneys referred to in that section may be deposited to the credit of a Maori Council in the Post Office Savings-bank :

Authorizing deposit of Maori Council funds in Post Office Savings-bank.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VIII, p. 1264

Provided that no Maori Council shall open a savings-bank account without the prior consent in writing of the Director-General of Health, who may from time to time nominate the persons by whom such account shall be operated on.

5. (1) Any owner of a deferred-payment license issued pursuant to the provisions of the regulations regarding the disposal of lands acquired by the Crown under the Native Townships Act, 1910, made on the twentieth day of December, nineteen hundred and twenty, or pursuant to the provisions of any amendment thereof, and any owner of a deferred-payment license issued pursuant to section sixty of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1924, may, with the consent of the Land Board of the district in which the land is situated, at any time during the currency of such license, surrender his license and obtain in exchange a license to occupy on deferred payments subject to the provisions, with such modifications as may be necessary, of section six of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1926.

Deferred payment license of Native Township section may be exchanged for substituted license.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VI, p. 358

(2) In any such case the term of the license granted under this section shall be computed from the first day of January or the first day of July, as the case may be, next after the date of the surrender of the original license.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. IV, p. 821

(3) The purchase-money payable under the new license shall be the balance of the purchase-money under the surrendered license outstanding at the date of surrender :

Provided that any amount outstanding in respect of interest at the date of the commencement of the term of the new license may, with the approval of the Land Board and the consent of the Minister of Lands, be added to and form part of the purchase-money under the new license.

(4) Section twenty-five of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

6. (1) The provisions of the principal Act referred to in the first column of the First Schedule hereto are hereby amended to the extent specified in the second column of that Schedule.

Miscellaneous amendments of principal Act.

*(2) (3) & (4) Amended.
1934) 5 v. 44 Sec. 11 (1)*

(2) Section seventeen of the Native Land Amendment Act, 1932, is hereby consequentially amended by omitting from paragraph (b) of subsection six the words "by the Native Minister under section five hundred and twenty-two of the principal Act, or".

(3) The powers of control conferred on the Native Land Settlement Board by subsection six of section seventeen of the Native Land Amendment Act, 1932, are hereby extended to include control over investments on mortgage or otherwise made or agreed to by the Native Trustee or a Maori Land Board either before or after the passing of that Act, over expenditure on all farming operations undertaken or approved by the Native Trustee or a Maori Land Board either before or after the passing of that Act, and over the development of any land and the management of any scheme or undertaking in connection with which any such expenditure has been made or incurred either before or after the passing of that Act.

(4) The powers exercisable by a Maori Land Board under sections five hundred and twenty-three and five hundred and twenty-four of the principal Act shall be exercisable only under the direction of and with the consent of the Native Land Settlement Board.

Mode of contracting by Native Land Settlement Board.

7. (1) Any contract which, if made between private persons, must be by deed or in writing signed by the parties to be charged therewith, shall, if made by the Native Land Settlement Board, be signed by two members of the Board on behalf of and by direction of the Board.

*Sec. 7 amended
1934) 5 v. 44*

(2) Any contract which, if made between private persons, may be made verbally without writing, may be similarly made by or on behalf of the Board by any member of the Board authorized in that behalf by the Board by resolution, but no verbal contract shall be made involving the payment by the Board of a sum exceeding twenty pounds.

(3) Any deed or document required to be executed on behalf of His Majesty for any of the purposes of section five hundred and twenty-two of the principal Act shall be executed by two members of the Board on behalf of His Majesty.

8. Section twenty-five of the Native Trustee Act, 1930, is hereby amended by omitting the words "Native Minister" where they appear in subsections three (b),

Native Trustee Act, 1930, amended.
See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VI, p. 382

five, nine, ten (e), ten (f), and fourteen of the said section, and substituting therefor in each case the words "Native Land Settlement Board"; and by omitting from subsection six (c) thereof the words "provided the Native Minister has given his consent"; and substituting therefor the words "provided the Native Land Settlement Board has given its consent".

PART II.

MISCELLANEOUS POWERS AND JURISDICTION.

(a) *Matters affecting Waikato-Maniapoto District.*

9. Whereas the land situate in the Auckland Land District, containing forty-four acres, more or less, and being Lot 53 of the Parish of Horotiu (hereinafter referred to as the said land), was under the powers in that behalf permanently reserved for the purpose of a Native burial-ground, and it is desirable that the said land shall be revested in Natives: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Enabling
Lot 53, Horotiu,
to be vested in
Natives.

(1) The reservation of the said land for the purpose aforesaid is hereby revoked, and it is declared that the land shall on the commencement of this Act cease to be subject to the provisions of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, or the Land Act, 1924, and shall be deemed to be Native land.

See Reprint
of Statutes,
Vol. VI, p. 1134,
Vol. IV, p. 622

(2) The Court is hereby authorized to inquire and determine in what person the said land ought to become vested and to make an order vesting the said land or any part thereof in such person for an estate of freehold in fee-simple, and in the case of more than one person, then as tenants in common in the relative proportions defined by the Court.

(3) Notwithstanding that the Native customary title of the said land may have been extinguished, the Court, in determining the person entitled to such land, may proceed upon such principle as it deems just, taking into consideration all the circumstances of the case.

10. Whereas the land hereinafter described was vested in the Crown for the purpose of a Native-school site, and is no longer required for that purpose: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Authorizing
revesting of
Parawera
School site in
Natives.

(1) The land known as the Maungatautari Number 6B 3A Block, containing three acres, more or less, as the

same is comprised and described in a partition order made on the fourth day of April, nineteen hundred, shall as from the commencement of this Act cease to be Crown land, and shall thereafter be deemed to be Native land within the meaning of the principal Act.

(2) The Court is hereby authorized to inquire and determine in what person the said land ought to become vested, and the Court may make an order vesting the same or any part thereof in such person for an estate of freehold in fee-simple, and in the case of more than one person being found entitled, then as tenants in common in the relative proportions defined by the Court.

(3) The Court may ascertain the ownership of the said land as if the title had not been previously investigated, and shall not be bound or restricted by any former order of the Court made in respect of that land.

11. Whereas the land hereinafter described was conveyed for a nominal consideration to the Crown to be used as a Native-school site, and is no longer required for that purpose: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The land known as the Orahiri A Block, comprised and described in certificate of title, Volume 56, folio 176, of the Auckland Registry (excepting thereout so much thereof as may have been laid out as a road), shall as from the commencement of this Act cease to be Crown land, and shall thereafter be deemed to be Native land within the meaning of the principal Act.

(2) The Court is hereby authorized to inquire and determine in what person the said land ought to become vested, and the Court may make an order vesting the same or any part thereof in such person for an estate of freehold in fee-simple, and in the case of more than one person being found entitled, then as tenants in common in the relative proportions defined by the Court.

(3) The Court may ascertain the ownership of the said land as if the title had not been previously investigated, and shall not be bound or restricted by any former order of the Court made in respect of that land.

12. Whereas the Native owners of the land hereinafter described are desirous of setting it apart for certain charitable purposes: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) With respect to all that land, being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 480, folio 48, of

Enabling
Otorohanga
Native-school
site to be
revested in
Natives.

Sec. 11(2) + (3)
1936
sup
Vol 56, f. 3

Enabling Court
to vest part
Lot 9 of
Allotment 14,
Tuakau, upon
trust.

the Auckland Registry, and being part of Lot 9 on deposited plan Number 7325 of Allotment 14, Tuakau, the Court may, upon application by the owners thereof, make an order vesting the said land in one or more persons upon such trusts for the benefit of Natives as to the Court may seem expedient, with power in the event of the failure of any such trust for the Court from time to time to appoint some other trust upon which the said land shall thereafter be held, and the District Land Registrar is hereby authorized to issue a certificate of title in respect thereof.

(2) For the purpose of affording access to such land the Court may by order lay off in the most convenient manner and as appurtenant thereto a right-of-way over the adjoining part of Lot 9 comprised in certificate of title, Volume 480, folio 47, of the Auckland Registry.

(3) Upon the making of an order under subsection one hereof the land mentioned therein shall thenceforth be deemed to be Native freehold land within the meaning of the principal Act.

13. Notwithstanding that section thirty-eight of the principal Act provides that there shall be no appeal against the refusal of the Chief Judge to make an order under that section, an appeal may be brought against the decision of the Chief Judge dismissing an application by one Rawiri te Ua for amendment of a succession order made by the Court in respect of the interest of Hera Reweti (deceased) in the Wharekawa 4B 3E 3 Block:

Enabling appeal respecting interest of Hera Reweti (deceased) in Wharekawa 4B 3E 3 Block.

Provided that every such appeal shall be commenced by notice of appeal given in the prescribed manner within three months after the commencement of this Act. The Appellate Court is hereby authorized to hear and determine any such appeal.

(b) *Matters affecting Waiariki District.*

14. Whereas Mita Taupopoki, a Maori chief of Whakarewarewa, desires to further the Native-land development schemes under section five hundred and twenty-two of the principal Act, and has made a gift of the land hereinafter mentioned for the purpose of a dairy factory: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Enabling gift of land by Mita Taupopoki to be accepted and administered.

(1) The land situated in Block V, Tarawera Survey District, containing eight acres and three perches or

thereabouts, called Waitaruna Number 4B Number 1 Block, is hereby declared to be ceded to the Crown in trust for the purpose of a site for a dairy factory, cheese-factory, creamery, or other industrial establishment.

(2) The District Land Registrar is hereby authorized to cancel the existing title for the said land and to issue a certificate of title in the name of His Majesty the King, subject to any Proclamation affecting roads that may have been registered. The certificate of title so issued shall have written thereon a memorandum stating that the land comprised therein is subject to the provisions of this section.

(3) The said land may be disposed of by way of sale or lease to any person as a site for a dairy factory, cheese-factory, or creamery.

(4) Any such sale or letting may be by public auction or private contract and subject to such conditions, including a consideration that is nominal, as the Native Land Settlement Board may think expedient. Any instrument of alienation required to carry into effect such sale or letting shall be signed in accordance with this Act.

(5) If for any reason it should be found impracticable to dispose of the land for any of the purposes aforesaid, the Native Minister may apply to the Native Land Court for directions upon what, if any, trust the land shall thereafter be held, and the nature of such trust may be varied or amended from time to time as the Court shall direct.

(6) Any consideration received from the sale or letting of the said land shall be applied in the development of Native land.

(7) If, while the land continues to be vested in the Crown, the Native Minister is of opinion that it cannot be satisfactorily utilized for any of the purposes for which it has been ceded, it shall be lawful to transfer to the said Mita Taupopoki or his representatives as ascertained by the Court the said land freed from the trusts hereby created or any of them, and the land shall thereupon be deemed to be Native freehold land within the meaning of the principal Act.

(8) Any instruments executed to and by the Waiariki District Maori Land Board in connection with the said land shall be deemed to be superseded by this section and to be of no further force or effect.

(c) Matters affecting Tairāwhiti District.

15. Whereas the Native Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives recommended that petition Number 201 of nineteen hundred and twenty-nine should be referred to the Government for inquiry, and it is deemed advisable to confer on the Court the following jurisdiction: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Authorizing readjustment of shares in Mangatu No. 1 Block.

(1) The Court is hereby authorized to inquire and determine whether the petitioner Himiona Katipa is under the circumstances entitled to any recompense in respect of moneys expended or services rendered by him for or on behalf of the persons hereinafter mentioned in respect of proceedings in the Native Land Court, the Native Appellate Court, or the Supreme Court, regarding the land situate in the Tairāwhiti Native Land Court District and known as the Mangatu Number 1 Block, and to make such order including the readjustment of the relative interests of the petitioner and the said persons as the Court may deem just.

(2) The persons whose interests or shares are affected by this section are those groups whose names appear in lists numbered nine, ten, and eleven handed into and approved by the Native Land Court in the proceedings before it in respect of the Mangatu Number 1 Block.

16. (1) Upon the application of any person lodged with the Registrar at Gisborne within six months after the commencement of this Act the Court is hereby authorized to inquire and determine whether the award by the Native Appellate Court of ninety-two shares to the descendants of a Native ancestor named Pouhamiti in respect of their interest in the Herupara Number 1 Block was a fair and equitable award, and the Court should it deem it just so to do may allot to the descendants of that ancestor a greater number of shares and amend or adjust the relative interests accordingly.

Authorizing readjustment of relative interests in Herupara No. 1 Block.

(2) The Court, in making an order under this section, shall not be bound by any division of shares or definition of relative interests heretofore made by the Court or the Native Appellate Court, save that it shall not alter any award of shares other than that to the Pouhamiti Section further than may be necessary to adjust any further award under this section.

(d) Matters affecting Aotea District.

Declaring
Ngatirahiri 3E
Block to be held
in trust.

17. Whereas by order of the Native Land Court the undermentioned land which comprises Native burial-grounds was vested in certain persons in equal shares for an estate of freehold in fee-simple and it is desirable that it should be held in trust: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The land known as Ngatirahiri Number 3E Block, situate in the Aotea Native Land Court District and comprised in a partition order of the Native Land Court made on the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifteen, is hereby declared to be, and shall be deemed to have been from the date of such order, vested in the persons named therein as trustees to hold in trust for the benefit of members of the Ngatirahiri Native Tribe, and the said partition order may be amended to conform to the provisions of this section, and shall then take effect according to its tenor.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section one hundred and thirty of the Land Transfer Act, 1915, the order made by the Court may when amended be registered under the provisions of that Act, and the District Land Registrar is authorized to issue a certificate of title therefor.

(3) The Court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine any application to define the nature of the trust or the right of any person to benefit thereunder.

Authorizing
equitable owners
of Section 32,
Block IX,
Opunake
Survey District,
to be
ascertained.

18. Whereas the land hereinafter mentioned is vested in the Native Trustee in trust for the Ngatihaumia Native Tribe, and is subject to the West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892, and it is desirable to authorize the Court to ascertain the equitable owners thereof: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The land known as Section numbered 32, Block IX, Opunake Survey District, shall on the commencement of this Act cease to be subject to the provisions of the West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892, and shall no longer remain vested in the Native Trustee, but shall revert to the owners thereof.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections one hundred and thirty, one hundred and thirty-four, or one hundred and thirty-five of the principal Act, the

Court may in respect of the said land exercise the jurisdiction and power conferred upon the Court by section one hundred and thirty-one or any other section of that Act.

(3) The Court may if it thinks it expedient, and notwithstanding that an order ascertaining the beneficial owners may not have been made under this section, or if made has not matured, and without the consent provided for in Part XVII of the principal Act, make in respect of the owners of the said land an order of incorporation under the said Part XVII, and may appoint a Committee of Management for the said land.

19. Whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-eighth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, the land known as Mahoetahi Subdivision 2B was declared to be a Native reservation, and it is desired that a portion thereof be released from reservation: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Authorizing
partition of
Mahoetahi 2B
Native
Reservation.

The Court may partition the said land, and so far as in the opinion of the Court any portion thereof is not required for the purpose of a marae or meeting-place the Court may vest such portion in the persons found entitled thereto freed and released from the Native reservation created by the said Order in Council, and the parcel of land so dealt with shall thereupon cease to form part of a Native reservation, and be no longer subject to the said Order in Council of the twenty-eighth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

(e) *Matters affecting Ikaroa District.*

20. Whereas the records show that the land hereinafter mentioned was intended to be reserved as a Native burial-ground, but the said land was upon investigation of title awarded to certain persons as absolute owners, and it is desired to rectify the error: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Authorizing
Suburban
Section 113,
Foxton, to be
set aside as
reserve.

(1) The order of the Court made on the thirteenth day of February, eighteen hundred and ninety, declaring certain persons to be the owners of the land known as Suburban Section 113 of the Township of Foxton (or Wakawehe Block), and the Order in Council dated the twenty-second day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, authorizing the Court to exercise certain jurisdiction in respect of the said land are hereby respectively cancelled.

(2) The District Land Registrar is hereby directed to cancel the certificate of title at present existing in respect of the said land.

(3) The Court may by order set apart and reserve the said land, together with any accretion thereto, for the common use of the Ngatiwhakare Native Tribe.

(4) So long as the said land is so set apart and reserved it shall be inalienable (including disposition thereof by will) to the Crown or any other person.

(5) The Court may at any time, by order, amend, vary, or revoke the order setting apart the said land, whether as to the boundaries of the land or otherwise, and either as to the whole or any part of the land, and upon any revocation may vest the said land comprised in the order of revocation in such person as it finds entitled thereto for an estate of freehold in fee-simple.

(6) The Court may from time to time, by order, make such by-laws as it thinks fit as to the management, control, and use of the said land and to prevent trespass thereon (whether by Natives or Europeans), and such by-laws may impose fines not exceeding twenty pounds for any breach of those by-laws.

(7) The Court may appoint trustees to hold and administer the said land in accordance with the by-laws for the time governing the said land, and may in any case where it deems it expedient remove any trustee, and may from time to time appoint a new trustee or trustees.

21. (1) The Court is hereby authorized to rehear an application to determine the owners of the land situated in the Ikaroa Native Land Court District and known as Lot 3, Mangaroa Block, as the same is shown on plan 563 lodged in the Survey Office at Napier, and to make an order vesting the said land in the persons found to be entitled for an estate of freehold in fee-simple as tenants in common in the shares and interests defined by the Court. The said land shall vest according to the tenor of the order, and the District Land Registrar shall issue a certificate of title for the said land without conveyance or transfer from the present legal owners thereof and free of all prior encumbrances and trusts (if any).

(2) The said land shall upon the making of a vesting order in respect thereof be and become Native land within the meaning of the principal Act.

Enabling title
to issue for
Lot 3,
Mangaroa
Block.

(3) The trustees of the estate of Sir Robert Donald Douglas McLean (deceased) and each of them shall be deemed, as from the making of such vesting order, to have discharged their duty as trustees in respect of the said land, and shall be released from all liability as such trustees to account for or in respect of the said land, or the use and occupation thereof, or in any way whatsoever.

(4) The Court shall not upon the rehearing be bound by any former ruling or judgment of the Court or by any former grant or title issued in respect of such land, and may award the land to such persons and in such manner as the Court may deem just under the circumstances.

(f) Matters affecting South Island District.

22. Whereas the land known as Subdivision Number 5 of Waimatamate Number 888, containing one rood or thereabouts, and situate in Block XIV of the Waimate Survey District (and hereinafter referred to as the said land), is the site of the grave of a noted Maori chief named Huruhuru, and it is desired that the care of such site be placed under the control of the Waimate Borough Council: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Authorizing the Court to vest Lot 5 of Waimatamate in Waimate Borough Council.

(1) The Court is hereby authorized to make an order vesting the said land in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Waimate for an estate of freehold in fee-simple, subject to such conditions as the Court may think it expedient to impose. In order to afford suitable access to the said land the Court may by order and without the necessity of obtaining the consent of any person lay out over any adjoining land a right-of-way in the most convenient position which right-of-way shall be appurtenant to Subdivision Number 5 aforesaid.

(2) Upon the making of such order all titles inconsistent therewith may be cancelled or amended by the Court, as the case may require.

PART III.

GENERAL.

23. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in subsection two of section one hundred and eight of the Rating Act, 1925, claims for rates due upon Native land and levied during the financial year ended the thirty-first

Extending time for recovery of Native rates for year 1932-33.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 1020

day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, may be lodged in accordance with the provisions of the said section one hundred and eight at any time within three years after the rate was levied.

Section 55 of
Native Purposes
Act, 1931,
amended.

24. Section fifty-five of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, is hereby amended by adding to paragraph (f) thereof the words "The form and condition of such bonds, and the rate of interest (if any) payable thereunder, shall be determined by the Minister of Finance".

Repeals.

25. Section seventy-eight of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, is hereby repealed :

Repeal of
section 78,
Native Purposes
Act, 1931.

Provided that, notwithstanding the repeal thereof, the said section seventy-eight shall continue and be in force for the purpose of continuing and perfecting thereunder any act, matter, or thing, or any proceedings commenced or in progress thereunder, or any matter which on the hearing of any application under the said section has been reserved for future or further order, consideration, or action.

Repeals.

26. Sections seventy-two, seventy-three, seventy-five, eighty-one, eighty-five, eighty-seven, eighty-nine, ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred and one, and one hundred and two of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, are hereby repealed.

Reference of Petitions to the Court.

Chief Judge may
refer matters in
Schedule for
report.

27. (1) The Chief Judge is hereby authorized to refer to the Native Land Court, or to a Judge or Commissioner thereof, for inquiry and report, the claims and allegations made by the petitioners in the petitions mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto.

(2) The Chief Judge may upon such inquiry and report make to the Native Minister such recommendation in any case as appears to accord with the equities.

(3) The report and recommendation under this section shall be laid before Parliament on as early a date as possible, and shall stand referred to the Native Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives.

SCHEDULES.

Schedules.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

First Column. Sections of Native Land Act, 1931, amended.	Second Column. Extent of Amendments.
Sections 94, 96 (3), 101 (3), 104 (3), (4), and (5), and 107	By omitting the references to the Native Minister, and substituting in each case a reference to the Minister of Finance.
Sections 99, 100 (1), 103 (1) and (4), 105 (1) (a), (2) (a), and (4), 106 (1), 303 (1), 327 (5), 340 (3), 343 (1) (f), 407 (3), 522 (except (4) (a) and (4) (f)), 523 (8), 537 (1), (5) (a) and (b), and (6)	By omitting the references to the Native Minister, and substituting in each case a reference to the Native Land Settlement Board. <i>X Repealed: 1926, N.S.W. Act 1926.</i>
Sections 105 (2) (b) and 358 (2) and (3)	By omitting the references to the Native Minister, and substituting in each case a reference to the Public Service Commissioner.
Section 162 (5) (c)	By inserting, after the words "such sum as the Court may direct", the words "and the Minister of Finance may approve".
Section 163 (10) (a)	By inserting, after the words "found by the Court to be payable therefor", the words "and approved by the Minister of Finance".
Section 164 (1)	By inserting, after the words "the Court may", the words "with the approval of the Minister of Finance".
Section 340 (1)	By omitting the words "(with the consent of the Native Minister)", and substituting the words "(on the recommendation of the Native Land Settlement Board)".
Section 358 (11)	By inserting, at the beginning of the subsection, the words "With the precedent consent of the Native Land Settlement Board"; by omitting the words "with the consent of the Native Minister".
Sections 407 (1) and 408 (1) ..	By inserting, after the words "consent of the Native Minister", the words "given on the recommendation of the Native Land Settle- ment Board".
Section 522 (3) (d) and (13) ..	By omitting the words "by writing under his hand"; and substituting the words "by writing signed by the Chairman or two other members of the Board by direction of the Board".

SECOND SCHEDULE.

PETITIONS TO BE REFERRED TO THE NATIVE LAND COURT, OR A JUDGE OR COMMISSIONER THEREOF.

1. PETITION No. 240, of 1932, of Hori Tupaea and 4 others: Praying for relief in connection with Whanganui-o-roto or Napier Inner Harbour and their right of property therein.
2. Petition No. 122, of 1931, of Tupito Maruera and another: Praying for relief respecting certain awards of land made by the Commissioners appointed to inquire into West Coast Reserves (North Island).
3. Petition No. 199, of 1932, of Pura Ruruhira and 16 others: Praying for an inquiry and readjustment of the partition of the Reureu No. 1 Block.
4. Petition No. 381, of 1929, of Roka Merehana and 3 others: Praying that the Native Land Court be empowered to rehear Te Reureu Nos. 2 and 3 Blocks.
5. Petition No. 220, of 1932, of Rima Wakarua and another: Praying for relief in connection with land at Waitotara.
6. Petition No. 75, of 1933, of Miri Tatana and 37 others: Praying for legal right to a landing-place for the Tauranga-Waka at New Plymouth.
7. Petition No. 49, of 1932, of H. McClutchie: Praying for relief in connection with the wills of the late Potene Tuhiwai and Turuhira Tuhiwai.
8. Petition No. 53, of 1933, of Te Atarangi Tukino: Praying for relief *in re* the will of the late Potene Tuhiwai.