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ANALYSIS.

Title.
Preamble.
1. Short Title.

2. Estate Bill may be referred to a Judge or Judges
of the Supreme Court.

AN ACT for enabling the General Assembly to obtain the opinion of the Supreme Court on Private Estate Bills.

[9th October 1865.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that the General Assembly should have authority to refer any Private Estate Bill to one or more Judges of the Supreme Court and to obtain his or their opinion thereon

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

I. The Short Title of this Act shall be “The Private Estates Bills Act 1865.”

II. When a petition for a Private Estate Bill shall be or shall have been presented to the Legislative Council the said petition with a printed copy of the Bill annexed or such Bill at any stage of its progress in the Legislative Council may be referred by the Speaker of the said Council to one or more Judge or Judges of the Supreme Court who after perusing the said Bill without requiring any proof of the allegations therein contained shall report to the said Council his or their opinion thereon under his or their hand and whether presuming the allegations contained in the preamble of such Bill to be proved to the satisfaction of the said Council it is reasonable that such Bill do pass into law and whether the provisions thereof are proper for carrying its purposes into effect and what alterations or amendments if any are necessary in the same and if he or they shall approve the said Bill he or they shall sign the same.

