

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

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No. , 1921.

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## A BILL

To provide for payment of members of Shire and Municipal Councils; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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**B**E it enacted by the King'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:—

**1.** This Act may be cited as the "Local Government (Payment of Members) Act, 1921," and shall be read and construed with the Local Government Act, 1919, hereinafter called "the Principal Act."

**2.** The Principal Act is amended by the addition of the following new section :—

29A. (1) The council may decide whether or not its members shall be paid for their services.

(2) A council which decides that its members shall be paid may, subject to this Act, grant to each of its members a fee as fixed by the council not exceeding one guinea for each day on which such member attends a meeting of the council or a meeting of a committee of the council, and for each day on which he is engaged as the result of a prior resolution of the council in attending to the business of the council :

Provided that where a member leaves any such meeting as aforesaid prior to the completion of the business to be transacted at such meeting, and such meeting subsequently closes for want of a quorum, the member so leaving shall not be granted any fee in respect of his attendance at such meeting.

(3) Where any council pays the mayor or president an allowance as by this Act provided he shall not also be eligible to receive fees under this section.

