

No. , 1922.

A BILL

To provide that Local Government Councils may adopt a system of election by proportional representation; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

[MR. J. C. L. FITZPATRICK;— *September, 1922.*]

BE 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:—

5 **1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the "Local Govern- Short title.
ment (Proportional Representation) Act, 1922."

(2) This Act shall be read and construed with the Local Government Act, 1919, hereinafter called the
10 Principal Act.

Amendment
of s. 73.

2. Section seventy-three of the Principal Act is amended by the omission of subsections three and four and the insertion of the following :—

Council's
discretion to
adopt system
of pro-
portional
representa-
tion.

(3) Upon the application of a council the Governor may by proclamation apply the system 5 of election according to the principles of proportional representation to that council's area; and may on the like application repeal any such proclamation.

(4) Contested elections in all areas (except where 10 the system of election according to the principles of proportional representation is in force) shall be conducted according to the ordinary ballot in the manner prescribed.
