

No. , 1911.

A BILL

To validate a certain report of the Government Statistician, and to validate the appointment of the Electoral Districts Commissioners; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1902, the Electorates Redistribution Act, 1904, and certain other Acts dealing with Parliamentary Elections; and for other purposes.

[MR. MCGOWEN;— *March, 1912.*]

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.** This Act may be cited as the "Parliamentary Elections Short title.
(Validating) Act, 1911."

In this Act "the Principal Act" means the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1902.

10 **2.** The report made by the Government Statistician to the Validation of reports
Colonial Secretary, dated the day of , one of Statistician and
thousand nine hundred and eleven, of the population of New South of appointment of
Wales is hereby declared to be and to have been a valid report under Commissioners.

section eleven of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1902, of the results, ascertained by him, of the last census of the population of New South Wales; and the appointment of the Electoral Districts Commissioners by commission under the great seal, dated the day of , one thousand nine hundred and eleven, is hereby declared to be and to have been valid. 5

3. The period within which the Commissioners so appointed are directed to distribute New South Wales into electoral districts may be extended by the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette to any further period not exceeding months. 10

4. For the purpose of such distribution by the said Commissioners, section fifteen of the Principal Act, as amended by the Electorates Redistribution Act, 1904, shall apply with the following variations:—

- (a) The quota of electors shall be ascertained by dividing by 15 ninety the total number of persons whose names are on the lists prepared for this year; and paragraph (b) of subsection two of the said section shall not apply to such distribution.
- (b) In paragraph (c) of the same subsection omit “enrolled therein” and insert the words “whose names are on the list for such district.” 20
- (c) In paragraph (e) of the same subsection omit “enrolled in” and insert the words “whose names are on the list for.”

5. On and after the date when the distribution of New South Wales into electoral districts by the said Commissioners takes effect, the following provisions shall have effect:— 25

- (a) Subsection one of section eleven of the Principal Act shall stand repealed and the following shall be read in its place:—
“It shall be the duty of the Commissioners and they are hereby directed to distribute New South Wales into 30 electoral districts for the purposes of this Act, within months after the expiration of ten years after the last distribution of New South Wales into electoral districts has taken effect.”
- (b) Subsection three of the same section is amended by omitting 35 “the taking of any census” where first occurring and inserting in lieu thereof the words “the date when the last of such distributions takes effect.”
- (c) The same subsection is further amended by omitting “on the taking of any census” and inserting in lieu thereof the words 40 “for the purpose of distributing New South Wales into electoral districts.”

6. Section four of the Electorates Redistribution Act, 1904, is amended by omitting “one thousand two hundred” and inserting the words “one thousand hundred.” 45