



Christian Churches New Zealand Property Trust Board Empowering Bill

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Report of the Government Administration
Committee

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Recommendation

The Government Administration Committee has examined the Christian Churches New Zealand Property Trust Board Empowering Bill and recommends that it be passed.

Introduction

The Christian Churches New Zealand Property Trust Board Empowering Bill is a private bill. The bill seeks to

- repeal the Associated Churches of Christ Church Property Act 1929
- dissolve the Associated Churches of Christ Church Extension and Property Trust Board
- transfer all property, powers, and legal obligations from the Associated Churches of Christ Church Extension and Property Trust Board to a new charitable trust, the Christian Churches New Zealand Property Trust Board.

The Christian Churches New Zealand Property Trust Board was set up under a trust deed governed by existing trusts and charities law. Therefore, its existence and operations do not require a private Act of Parliament.

However, because the Associated Churches of Christ Church Extension and Property Trust Board was originally set up under legislation, a private bill is needed to dissolve it and transfer its property, powers, and obligations.

Submissions

We heard two submissions on the bill. One of these supported the bill in its entirety. The other suggested adding a sunset clause to the bill. This would allow the bill to expire and be repealed two years after enactment. Although we considered adding the sunset clause, we ultimately decided that the bill should be passed without amendment.

Appendix

Committee procedure

The Christian Churches New Zealand Property Trust Board Empowering Bill was referred to the committee on 12 August 2015. The closing date for submissions was 18 September 2015. We received and considered two submissions, and we heard from both submitters.

We received advice from the Ministry of Justice.

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