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Attorney-General

Legal Advice

Consistency with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990:
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1. We have examined this Local Bill for consistency with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. We understand that this Bill was introduced to the House of Representatives on Monday 28 January 2003, in the name of the Hon Steve Maharey.
2. We consider that this Bill does not give rise to any issues of inconsistency with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.
3. This Bill amends the Palmerston North Reserves Empowering Act 1966. That Act vests certain lands in the Palmerston North City Council. These lands, which are described in the First Schedule to the Act, are held in trust by the Council but may be leased or sold in accordance with the Act.
4. The purpose of this Bill is to bring under the Act a further area of land in Palmerston North, for the purposes of expanding the Palmerston North Girls High School.
5. In accordance with your instructions, we attach a copy of this opinion for referral to the Minister of Justice. Copies are also attached for referral to the Minister of Local Government, and the Hon Steve Maharey if you agree.

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