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PART V.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

(To be translated into Gujaráti and the translation to be published in the "Bombau Government Gazette." The date of publication to be reported.)

The following Bill, together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons accompanying it, is published in accordance with Rule 22 of the Rules for the conduct of business at Meetings of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations :---

Bill No. I of 1897.

A Bill to further amend the law relating to the Municipal Government of the City of Bombay.

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WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act,

1888, in manner hereinafter appearing; it is hereby enacted as follows :----

1. Clause (a) of sub-section (2) of Repeal of clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 56 of Bombay Act III of 1888.

section 56 of the City of Bombay Municipal A c t, 1888, is repealed.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

The object of this Bill is to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, in order to enable a Deputy Municipal Commissioner to represent the Municipal Commissioner at meetings of the Corporation and Standing Committees.

Section 56 (1) of the Act provides that a Deputy Commissioner "shall 2. exercise such of the powers and perform such of the duties of the Commissioner as the Commissioner shall from time to time depute to him." Clause (a) of sub-section (2) of the same section, however, contains a proviso that "it shall not be lawful for a Deputy Commissioner to appear in the Commissioner's stead at any meeting of the Corporation or Standing Committee or to exercise thereat any right or power of the Commissioner." It is proposed to repeal this proviso. 3. The heavy duties now devolving on the Municipal Commissioner in consequence of the outbreak of bubonic plague in Bombay and the extreme urgency of the measures he is required to organize and carry out show that, in circumstances of such pressure, the relief granted him by the appointment of a Deputy Municipal Commissioner should be as complete as possible. This relief cannot be as extensive as is possible and desirable so long as the Deputy Municipal Commissioner cannot be empowered to represent the Commissioner at meetings of the Corporation or Standing Committee.

(Signed) H. BIRDWOOD.

Bombay, 15th February 1897.

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor,

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Secretary to the Council of the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations.

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