

IOCESE OF WAIKATO AND TARANAKI

BILL NO.3

THE GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATION AMENDMENT BILL 2021

The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki enacts as follows –

1. TITLE

This Statute is The General Synod Representation Amendment Statute 2021.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Statute is to reform the provisions relating to election of Diocesan representatives to the General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui.

3. COMMENCEMENT

This Statute shall come into force immediately upon its passing.

4. GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATION

- (1) Clause 4 of The General Synod Representation Statute 2014 is amended by the deletion of sub-clause (b) and its replacement by the words: “Nominations shall be lodged in writing with the Registrar-Manager 14 days prior to the commencement of Synod”.
- (2) Synod in 2021 may resolve to accept for election only nominations that have been lodged not less than 14 days prior to the commencement of Synod provided that notice of the requirement to lodge nominations by that date shall have been given to all members of Synod not less than 28 days preceding the commencement of Synod.
- (3) Clause 4 (d) of The General Synod Representation Statute 2014 is further amended by the addition after the words: “by secret ballot” of the words: “Of the nominated candidates in any ballot, those elected shall be the candidates who have received the greatest number of votes from their own Order”.
- (4) Clause 4 of The General Synod Representation Statute 2014 is further amended by the addition of a new sub-clause (j), stating “The President shall have a casting vote in the event of an equality of votes”.