

No. 61A.

PETITION.

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To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament Assembled:

The petition of the undersigned property owners in the City of Vancouver, humbly sheweth:—

1. That the City of Vancouver by clause three (3), of a Bill to amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900," and now before the House, is seeking to amend section forty (40) of their said Incorporation Act by adding a power to compel property owners in the said City of Vancouver to give the Assessor, under oath, all information he may desire relating to their said real estate.

2. And whereas such inquisitorial power is wholly unnecessary in respect to real estate and would cast upon the property owners unnecessary burden and compel them to do work for which the City Assessor should be paid.

Now, therefore, your petitioners pray, that the said power be not granted.

And your petitioners ask leave to be heard by counsel and witnesses before the Private Bills Committee.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

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