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1987, No. 20

An Act to amend the Animals Protection Act 1960

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Animals Protection Amendment Act 1987, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Animals Protection Act 1960 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Interpretation—Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraph (d) of the definition of the term “animal”, and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(d) Any vertebrate animal that is kept in a state of captivity or is dependent upon man for its care and sustenance:

“(e) Any animal of a species that is declared by the Minister, by notice in the *Gazette*, to be a species of animal for the purposes of this Act.”.

3. Manipulation of live animals for the purpose of producing antisera or other biological agents—(1) Section 19 (1) of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in paragraph (d) (as substituted by section 5 of the Animals Protection Amendment Act 1983), after the words “potency testing work”, the words “, or any work carried out for the purpose of producing antisera or other biological agents,”.

(2) Section 19A of the principal Act (as enacted by section 6 of the Animals Protection Amendment Act 1983) is hereby

amended by repealing subsections (1) and (2), and substituting the following subsections:

“(1) Regulations may be made under section 20 of this Act prohibiting, as from a prescribed date (being a date not earlier than 6 months after the coming into force of the regulations),—

“(a) Any research, experimental, diagnostic, toxicity, or potency testing work, or any work carried out for the purpose of producing antisera or other biological agents, that involves the manipulation of any live animal; or

“(b) Any teaching that involves the manipulation of any live animal,—

unless that work or teaching is carried out in accordance with a code of ethical conduct relating to the welfare and humane treatment of the live animal involved.

“(2) Any regulations made for the purpose specified in subsection (1) of this section shall prescribe the matters to be incorporated in any code of ethical conduct, being matters that relate to the welfare and humane treatment of any live animal upon which is carried out any research, experimental, diagnostic, toxicity, or potency testing work, or which is used for the production of antisera or other biological agents, or in teaching, or are matters incidental thereto.”

This Act is administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.
