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LABOUR RELATIONS (AGRICULTURAL WORKERS) AMENDMENT

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to-

- (a) Provide voluntary unionism for agricultural workers:
- (b) Define the term "agricultural workers" to include all persons employed in dairy, sheep and wool, or arable farming

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

- 1. Short Title and commencement—(1) This Act may be 10 cited as the Labour Relations (Agricultural Workers) Amendment Act 1988, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Labour Relations Act 1987 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
 - (2) This Act shall come into force on the 1st day of July 1988.
- **2. Interpretation**—Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, in its appropriate alphabetical order, the following definition:
 - "'Agricultural worker' means any person employed in dairy, sheep and wool, or arable farming:".
- **3. Insertion of union membership clause**—Section 61 of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(5) Nothing in this or any other section of this Act shall require agricultural workers to join any union. That decision shall rest entirely with individual agricultural workers."