

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

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Hon. Mr. Roberts

STOCK-REMEDIES AMENDMENT

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Stock-remedies Act, 1934.

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Stock-remedies Amendment Act, 1946, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Stock-remedies Act, 1934 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
2. (1) Notwithstanding anything in section six of the principal Act, or in any certificate of registration issued under that Act, the period for which a stock-remedy is registered shall, in the case of any registration which is in force on the passing of this Act or is effected after the passing of this Act but before the *thirtieth* day of *September*, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, expire on that date.
- (2) Every registration of a stock-remedy effected at any time after the *thirtieth* day of *September*, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, shall be for a period, not

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Altering period of registration of stock-remedies.

exceeding three years, expiring on the *thirtieth* day of September, nineteen hundred and *fifty*, or, as the case may require, on the same date in every succeeding third year thereafter.

Repeal.
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(3) Section seventy-three of the Statutes Amendment Act, 1936, is hereby repealed. 5

Extending Board's power to refuse to register stock-remedies.

3. Section six of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection seven, and substituting the following new subsection:—

“(7) The Board may refuse to register any stock-remedy which— 10

“(a) Contains incompatible or volatile ingredients:

“(b) Is likely, in the opinion of the Board, to be injurious to stock:

“(c) Having regard to its composition and the purpose for which it is intended to be used, is, in the opinion of the Board, of no value as a stock-remedy: 15

“(d) Does not comply with any standard prescribed therefor by regulations under this Act.” 20

Power to make regulations prescribing standards of quality and composition, &c., in respect of stock-remedies.

4. Section twenty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting in subsection one, after paragraph (a) thereof, the following new paragraph:—

“(aa) Prescribing standards of quality, purity, strength, weight, or quantity of any stock-remedy or of any ingredient or component part thereof:” 25

Sale of stock-remedy not complying with registered description.

5. Every vendor commits an offence against the principal Act who sells any registered stock-remedy of which the composition differs materially from the description of the composition thereof contained in the application for registration made under section six of the principal Act: 30

Provided that in any proceedings for an offence under this section against any vendor of a stock-remedy, not being the proprietor thereof, it shall be a good defence if the defendant proves that he did not know and could not, with the exercise of reasonable care, have known that the composition of the stock-remedy differed materially from such description as aforesaid. 35 40

Quorum of Board.

6. Section four of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection three, and substituting the following new subsections:—

“(3) At every meeting of the Board *two* members shall form a quorum. 45

“(4) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Board may regulate its procedure in such manner as it thinks fit.”