

STOCK REMEDIES AMENDMENT BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

THIS Bill provides for amendments to the Stock Remedies Act, 1934.

Clauses 2-4 relate to the manufacture, importation, sale, distribution, and use of biological products; and contain provisions intended to ensure that the products are of proper quality, and are used under proper supervision in those cases in which special precautions are necessary in connection with their use.

Clause 2 defines the term "biological product" and makes a consequential amendment in the term "stock remedy". The definition of "biological product" covers such things as vaccines, serums, and hormones ordinarily used, or intended for use, in the treatment of stock or the diagnosis or detection of diseases of stock.

Clause 3 makes it an offence to sell any biological product unless it has been manufactured by a person licensed in accordance with the Bill in premises licensed in accordance with the Bill, or has been imported with the permission of the Minister of Agriculture. It also makes it an offence to import any biological product except with the consent of the Minister of Agriculture and in accordance with any conditions which he may impose.

Clause 4 authorizes the making of regulations providing for the licensing of persons engaged in, and premises used for, the manufacture of biological products; for the keeping of records by the manufacturers of such products; for the destruction or disposal of the products where they are dangerous or valueless; and for the control of the sale and use of the products.

Clause 5 provides for the appointment of an additional member to the Stock Remedies Registration Board, which member shall be a person who is registered as a veterinary surgeon, and shall be appointed on the nomination of the Veterinary Services Council.

Hon. Mr. Holyoake

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, 1950, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Stock Remedies Act, 1934 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act). Short Title. 1934, No. 5

Biological Products

2. (1) Section two of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after the definition of the term "Analyst", the following definition:—

" "Biological product" means any preparation made from animal glands or tissues, any substance manufactured for the purpose of having the same action as a preparation made from

Meaning of terms "biological product" and "stock remedy".

animal glands or tissues, any virus or micro-organism whether living or killed, or any product of a virus or micro-organism, which is ordinarily used, or is intended for use, in the treatment of stock or the diagnosis or detection of diseases of stock: ” 5

(2) Section two of the principal Act is hereby amended by omitting from the definition of the term “ stock remedy ” the words “ including vaccines, sera, and other biological products ”, and substituting the words “ including any biological product ”. 10

Manufacture,
importation,
and sale of
biological
products.

3. The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section nine, the following section:—

“ 9A. (1) After the first day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, no person shall sell any biological product, unless— 15

“ (a) The product was manufactured by a person licensed under this Act to manufacture such products in premises licensed under this Act for the manufacture of such products ; or 20

“ (b) The product was imported into New Zealand with the permission of the Minister of Agriculture and in accordance with any conditions imposed by him.

“ (2) No person shall import into New Zealand any biological product except with the permission of the Minister of Agriculture and in accordance with any conditions which he may impose. 25

“ (3) Every person commits an offence against this Act who sells or imports any biological product in contravention of this section.” 30

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products.

4. Section twenty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after subsection one, the following subsection:—

“ (1A) Without limiting any power conferred on the Governor-General by the last preceding subsection, it is hereby declared that the Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations for all or any of the following purposes:— 35

“ (a) Providing for the licensing of persons engaged in the manufacture of biological products : 40

5 “(b) Providing for the licensing of premises in which biological products are manufactured; and for requiring the prior approval of the Stock Remedies Registration Board of the site, buildings, and equipment of any such premises:

10 “(c) Providing for the manufacturers of biological products to keep records specifying the persons to whom each batch of biological products is sold and specifying the tests of each such batch:

“(d) Providing for the destruction or disposal of any batch of biological products which on testing is found to be dangerous or valueless:

15 “(e) Prohibiting the sale, distribution, and use of any biological product otherwise than by such persons or classes of persons and in accordance with such conditions and restrictions as may be specified in the regulations.”

20 *Stock Remedies Registration Board*

5. (1) Subsection two of section three of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:—

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25 “(d) One person, who shall be registered as a veterinary surgeon under the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1926, and shall be appointed on the nomination of the Veterinary Services Council established under the Veterinary Services Act, 1946.”

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. V, p. 736 1946, No. 26

30 (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in subsection three of section three of the principal Act, the first member of the Board appointed on the nomination of the Veterinary Services Council shall be appointed for a period which shall expire on the sixteenth day of
35 April, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.