

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 14th Day of October, 1924.

MEAT-EXPORT CONTROL AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. LYSNAR, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

To add the following new clauses:—

4. Section two of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows: By adding at the end of paragraph (a) of subsection two the words "The Governor-General shall not appoint any person rejected by the producers as hereinafter provided."

5. Paragraph (b) of subsection two of section two of the principal Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following provisions shall apply:—

(b.) The producers' representatives shall be elected in the prescribed manner by direct vote of sheepowners owning more than one hundred sheep, as shown by the annual official sheep returns for the Dominion of New Zealand last issued prior to the election that is to be held from time to time. Each sheepowner to have one vote.

(i.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the Auckland Sheep District:

(ii.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the Gisborne Sheep District:

(iii.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the Hawke's Bay Sheep District:

(iv.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the West Coast and Wairarapa Sheep Districts:

(v.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the Marlborough-Nelson-Westland Sheep District:

(vi.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the Canterbury-Kaikoura Sheep District:

(vii.) One shall be elected by the sheepowners in the Otago Sheep District.

6. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the said principal Act, the seven producers' representatives shall be appointed on or before the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and upon their appointment the present producer's representation on the said Board shall thereupon cease to hold office upon the said Board unless any or all of them are re-elected by the producers in the manner hereby prescribed.

7. Subsection four of section two of the principal Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following provisions shall apply with respect to the first members appointed as representatives of the producers of meat in accordance with this Act, namely,—

(a.) Two of such members as representing sheep districts in the North Island, and two of such members as representing sheep districts in the South Island, shall retire on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, and the remaining such members shall retire on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

(b.) Those members so to retire on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six shall be determined by agreement of the members, and failing agreement shall be determined by lot.

(c.) Any member retiring as aforesaid shall be eligible for reappointment to the Board.

8. On and after the passing of this Act it shall be illegal for any oversea company, firm, or person to acquire any interest in any freezing-works in New Zealand, or for the same to be worked on behalf of any such company, firm, or person.

9. (1.) In the case of any oversea company, firm, or person owning freezing-works in New Zealand at the date of the passing of this Act they shall, if possible, sell the same within two years from the date of the passing of this Act to any New Zealand company representing the producers and public of New Zealand in and about the particular district in which any such freezing-works are situated.

(2.) Failing it being possible to effect the sale as directed by the *preceding* subsection, then in that case, subject to all other conditions and restrictions now or hereafter imposed by statute, which are not to be impaired or affected by any of the provisions of this Act, such oversea company, firm, or person may continue to own and work such freezing-works upon the following conditions:—

(a.) Such company, firm, or person shall use such works for the purpose of killing and treating stock on “owners’ account only.”

(b.) No such oversea company, firm, or person owning such freezing-works, nor any subsidiary company, firm, or person which is owned or controlled by the company, firm, or person owning the particular freezing-works at which such stock are killed and treated, shall have any interest in any stock killed or treated through such works, beyond the right to a claim for their usual and customary charges for killing and treating same, nor shall any of the parties referred to in this clause at any time after such stock has been killed and frozen in the said works purchase or handle the marketing of any such stock, it being intended that the company, firm, or person owning such freezing-works, or any subsidiary company, firm, or person which is owned or controlled by the company, firm, or person owning these particular freezing-works at which such stock are killed and treated, shall for ever be barred from owning or acting as an agent for the marketing of any such stock that is killed and treated at the particular freezing-works.
