



ANALYSIS

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1984, No. 13

An Act to amend the Agricultural Workers Act 1977

[6 December 1984]

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

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Agricultural Workers Amendment Act 1984, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Agricultural Workers Act 1977 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Criteria—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 33, the following section:

“33A. (1) The Tribunal, in making an award or declining to make an award, shall have regard to—

“(a) The supply and demand factors for the skills of the workers covered by the award; and

“(b) The need for fairness and equity in the rates of pay and conditions of employment for the work covered by the award; and

“(c) Any changes in the content of any job or in the skills, duties, or responsibilities of positions covered by the award; and

“(d) Any changes in productivity arising from, for example, the introduction of new technology; and

“(e) Relativities within the award, and between the award and other awards (including awards within the meaning of the Industrial Relations Act 1973) and

agreements (being collective agreements registered under section 82 of the Industrial Relations Act 1973).

“(2) In applying the criteria, the Tribunal—

“(a) Shall not be bound by historical precedent and practice of any sort; and

“(b) Shall consider whether relativities or conditions of employment should be changed to take account of factors that are specific to the work covered by the award.”

This Act is administered in the Department of Labour.
