



## ANALYSIS

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**An Act affecting the application of certain Acts to rabbit calicivirus** [27 March 1998]

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

**1. Short Title and commencement**—(1) This Act may be cited as the Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Amendment Act 1998, and is part of the Biosecurity Act 1993 (“the principal Act”).

(2) Section 4 comes into force on the date of commencement of the Fourth Schedule of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (2), this Act comes into force on the day on which it receives the Royal assent.

**2. Section 21 of Animals Act 1967 not to apply to rabbit calicivirus**—(1) The organism known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease virus, or rabbit calicivirus, is deemed on and after 24 September 1997 to have been established in New Zealand for the purposes of section 21 of the Animals Act 1967 (as continued in force by the Third Schedule of the principal Act).

(2) The organism known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease virus, or rabbit calicivirus, is deemed on and after 24 September 1997 to have been an organism established in New Zealand for the purposes of section 169 of the principal Act.

**3. Validation and revocation of Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Regulations 1997**—(1) The Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Regulations 1997 are deemed, on and after 24 September 1997, to have been valid.

(2) The Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Regulations 1997 (S.R. 1997/203) are revoked.

**4. Organisms illegally present in New Zealand at commencement of Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996**—Section 185A of the principal Act is amended by adding the following subsection:

“(4) Nothing in this section applies to the organism known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease virus, or rabbit calicivirus.”

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This Act is administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

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